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COMMUNICATION FROM ZIMBABWE

<u>Conditional Offer by Zimbabwe of Initial Commitments</u> in the Uruguay Round Negotiations on Trade in Services

The following communication is circulated at the request of the permanent delegation of Zimbabwe to the members of the Group of Negotiations on Services.

Zimbabwe presents below its preliminary offer concerning initial commitments on trade in services. This offer is conditional upon a satisfactory conclusion of negotiations aimed at establishing a General Agreement on Trade in Services and the achievement of balanced global results in the Uruguay Round.

For Zimbabwe, a satisfactory conclusion in the negotiations on services implies the adoption of an Agreement on Trade in Services and Sectoral Annexes within the context of a balanced Uruguay Round package which promotes the interests of all developing countries and which provides adequate opportunity for export of services from Zimbabwe.

By submitting this offer, Zimbabwe reaffirms its commitment to a progressive liberalization of trade in services, with due regard to the levels of development of each participating country, in order to promote the interests of all parties on a mutually advantageous basis.

This offer is subject to the applicable Zimbabwean laws, regulations and guidelines governing the sectors included in the offer.

It is understood that this offer is purely conditional and is subject to revision, modification, refinement and withdrawal. MTN.GNS/W/156 Page 2

HORIZONTAL MEASURES

Any foreign bank or financial institution can operate in Zimbabwe as long as they abide by the domestic rules and regulations governing investment and operations of such institutions.

Zimbabwe's offer in the telecommunications services area entails sectors which are not restricted and Zimbabwe undertakes to bind them. Liberalization of the other telecommunications services will be the subject of a study to be undertaken shortly.

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Explanations of Terms Used

No Limitations

This means that Zimbabwe does not impose limitations, conditions or qualifications with respect to market access or national treatment other than those mentioned under horizontal measures.

Bound

This means that Zimbabwe undertakes a commitment not to become more restrictive or more inconsistent with the market access and national treatment provisions of the General Agreement on Services than provided for in existing measures set out in the Schedule.

Unbound

This means that Zimbabwe has not undertaken any commitment to bind existing laws and regulations affecting the conditions of market access or national treatment.

Sector/Sub-sector	<u>Limitations on</u> Market_Access	Limitations on National Treatment
	(1) Cross-border Trade	(1) Cross-border Trade
	(2) Movement of Consumer	(2) Movement of Consumer
	(3) Commercial Presence	(3) Commercial Presence
	(4) Movement of Natural Persons	(4) Movement of Natural Persons
FINANCIAL SERVICES	1. No limitations	1. No limitations
(Banking and other	2. No limitations	2. No limitations
financial services)	3. Work permit, regist- ration, licensing required; Bound	3. No limitations
	4. Visa required; Bound	4. No limitations
TOURISM AND TRAVEL	1. Bound	1. Bound
RELATED SERVICES	2. Bound	2. Sound
	 Work permit, regist- ration, licensing required; Bound 	3. No limitations
	4. Visa required; Bound	4. No limitations
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES		
a. Voice telephone services 7521	1-4 No limitations	1-4 No limitations
d. Telegraph services 7522	1-4 No limitations	1-4 No limitations
e. Telex services 7523	1-4 No limitations	1-4 No limitations
f. Facaimile services 7521, 7529	1-4 No limitations	1-4 No limitations
g. Private leased circuit services 7522, 7523	1-4 No limitations	1-4 No limitations