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**Draft Schedule of Argentina Concerning
Initial Commitments on Trade in Services**

Revision

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

In June 1992, Argentina submitted its revised conditional offer concerning initial commitments on services (MTN.GNS/W/125/Rev.2/Corr.1) as a basis for participation in the negotiations on initial commitments.

The following is the revised version of the offer in the form of a schedule of initial commitments consistent with the General Agreement on Trade in Services included in the Draft Final Act of 20 December 1991.

The classification of sectors is based on Secretariat document MTN.GNS/W/120. The scheduling of commitments has been carried out in conformity with the document "Scheduling of Initial Commitments in Trade in Services: Explanatory Note" (MTN.GNS/W/164 of 3 September 1993).

The schedule has been prepared on the basis of the final content and structure of that Agreement. It includes references to most sectors and Argentina expects a similar level of commitment from other participants in the Uruguay Round.

Argentina reserves the right to withdraw or modify all or part of the schedule. This may be done, in particular, if a fully satisfactory Services Agreement is not concluded, including the initial commitments and application of most-favoured-nation treatment. It also reserves the right to make technical modifications, to rectify errors, omissions or lack of precision.

The schedule is also conditional on obtaining significant results in the ongoing negotiations in other Uruguay Round negotiating groups of special interest to Argentina.

PART I: MEASURES APPLICABLE TO ALL SECTORS

1. Commercial presence

Acquisition of land: not bound in frontier areas except in exceptional cases where the law provides that natural or legal persons may own land subject to authorization by the National Frontiers Department of the Ministry of Defence.

2. Movement of natural persons: not bound, except for the following categories of personnel:

Senior personnel:

Managers: persons in an enterprise or organization who primarily direct a department or subdivision. They supervise and control the work of other supervisory, professional or managerial staff. They have the authority to hire or dismiss personnel, recommend their hiring or dismissal or take other personnel action such as promotion or leave authorization. They exercise discretionary authority over day-to-day activities. Does not include first-line supervisors unless those supervised are professionals, nor employees who primarily perform tasks required for the provision of the service.

Executives: persons in the organization who primarily direct the management of the organization. They exercise wide latitude in decision-making and receive only supervision or direction from high-level executives, the board of directors or stockholders. They do not directly perform tasks related to the provision of the service(s) of the organization.

Specialists: persons in an enterprise or organization who possess knowledge at an advanced level of expertise and who possess proprietary knowledge of the organization's services, research equipment, techniques, or management. Independent professionals may be included in this category.

PART II: MEASURES APPLICABLE TO SPECIFIC SECTORS

Sectors	Conditions on market access	Conditions on national treatment	Additional commitments
1. BUSINESS SERVICES			
1.A. Professional services			
Persons seeking to provide professional services must obtain recognition of their professional degree, enrol in the relevant college and establish legal domicile in Argentina.			
1.A.a. Legal services (861)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.A.b. Accounting, auditing and book-keeping services (862)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.A.d. Architectural services (861)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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1.A.e. Engineering services (8672)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.B. Computer and related services			
1.B.a. Consultancy services related to the installation of computer hardware (841)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.B.b. Software implementation services (842)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.B.c. Data processing services (843)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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1.B.d. Database services (844)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.B.e. Other (845 + 849)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.F. <u>Other business services</u>			
1.F.a. Advertising services (871)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.F.b. Market research and public opinion polling services (864)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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1.F.c. Management consulting services (865)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.F.h. Services incidental to mining (833 + 5115)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.F.9. Building cleaning services (874)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
1.F.s. Assembly or convention services (87909*)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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1.F.t. Other (8790)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
2. COMMUNICATION SERVICES			
2.B. Courier services (7512)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
2.C. Telecommunication services			
2.C.h. Electronic mail (7523**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
2.C.i. Voice mail (7523**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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2.C.j. On-line information and database retrieval (7523**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
2.C.k. Electronic data interchange services (7523**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
2.C.l. Enhanced/value-added facsimile services (including store and forward, store and retrieve) (7523**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
2.C.m. Code and protocol conversion (n.d.)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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2.C.n On-line information and/or data processing (including transaction processing) (843**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
2.C.o Other	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES			
3.A. General construction work for buildings (512)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
3.C. Assembly and erection of prefabricated constructions (514 + 516)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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3.D. <u>Building completion and finishing work</u> (517)	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	
3.E. <u>Other</u> (511 + 515 + 518)	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	
4. DISTRIBUTION SERVICES			
4.B. <u>Wholesale trade services</u> (622)	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	
4.C. <u>Retail trade services</u> (631 + 632) 6111 + 6113 + 6121	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	

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4.D. <u>Franchising services</u> (8929)	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	
7. FINANCIAL SERVICES			
	<p>Insurance: the Insurance Supervision Department does not grant authorizations for new entities.</p> <p>Banking services: the Central Bank of the Argentine Republic does not grant authorizations for new financial entities.</p> <p>Financial operations by the Government and State-owned enterprises are excluded from the conditions specified in this offer; they may carry out their operations through the entities they designate.</p>		
7.A. <u>All insurance services and insurance-related services</u>	<p>(1) Not bound</p> <p>(2) Not bound</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	<p>(1) Not bound</p> <p>(2) Not bound</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures</p>	
7.A.a. Life, accident and health insurance services (8121)			

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7.A.b. Non-life insurance services (8129)	(1) Not bound (2) Not bound (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Not bound (2) Not bound (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
7.A.c. Reinsurance and retrocession services (81299*)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
7.B. Banking and other financial services <u>(excluding insurance)</u>			
7.B.a. Acceptance of deposits and other repayable funds from the public (81115-81119)	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
7.B.b. Lending of all types, including consumer credit, mortgage credit, factoring and financing of commercial transactions (81113)	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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7.B.d. Payment and money transmission services (81339**)	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
7.B.e. Guarantees and commitments (81199**)	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
7.B.f. Trading of the following on own account or for clients, whether on an exchange or not, or in any other form, of the following: - Money market instruments (cheques, bills, certificates of deposit, etc.) (81339**)		(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures

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Foreign exchange (81333)	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Not bound (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
7.B.k. Advisory and other auxiliary financial services for any of the activities listed in Article I.B of document MTN.TNC/W/50, including credit reference and analysis, investment and portfolio research and advice, and advice on acquisitions and on corporate restructuring and strategy. (8131 or 8133)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
7.B.l. Provision and transfer of financial information, financial data processing and related software by suppliers of other financial services (8131)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL-RELATED SERVICES			
9.A. Hotels and restaurants (including catering) (641/643)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	

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9.B. <u>Travel agencies and tour operators services</u> (7471)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
9.C. <u>Tourist guide services</u> (7472)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	
9.D. <u>Other</u>	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Not bound, except as indicated in the horizontal measures	(1) Cross-border supply (2) Consumption abroad (3) Commercial presence (4) Presence of natural persons