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**Draft Schedule of Gabon concerning
Initial Commitments on Trade in Services**

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

1. This communication lists the commitments which the Republic of Gabon intends to enter into in the negotiations on trade and services.
2. These commitments are conditional and Gabon reserves the right to modify or withdraw them entirely or partially depending on the global results of the negotiations and in particular the treatment of its export interests by its various trade partners.
3. The initial commitments of Gabon are scheduled in the attached table.
4. The areas in which Gabon intends to enter into commitments are listed in accordance with the services sectoral classification in document MTN.GNS/W/120.
5. In submitting this offer Gabon stresses that it is conditional and may be revised, modified, refined or withdrawn.
6. This offer is subject to the applicable laws and other national regulations and directives governing sectors concerned.

Sector/sub-sector	Limitations on market access	Limitations on national treatment
	1. Cross-border supply 2. Movement of consumers 3. Commercial presence 4. Movement of personnel	1. Cross-border supply 2. Movement of consumers 3. Commercial presence 4. Movement of personnel
A. All insurance and insurance-related services (CPC: 8121-8129-81299-8140)	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations; ministerial approval 4. No limitations, subject to existing regulations governing the stay and the employment of foreigners in insurance activities	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations; ministerial approval 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations governing the stay and the employment of foreigners in insurance activities
Banking and other financial services*	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to the existing banking regulations, ministerial authorization and approval of the BCEAC and COBAC 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on the stay and employment of foreigners in banking activities	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to the existing banking regulations, ministerial authorization and approval of the BCEAC and COBAC 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on the stay and employment of foreigners in banking activities

* Applies to the following headings:

- Lending of all types (CPC: 8113)
- Transferable securities (CPC: 81321)
- Other negotiable instruments and financial assets, including bullion (CPC: 81339)
- Asset management (CPC: 8119)
- Advisory and other auxiliary services (CPC: 8133)
- Provision and transfer of financial information and financial data processing (CPC: 8131)

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	1. Cross-border supply 2. Movement of consumers 3. Commercial presence 4. Movement of personnel	1. Cross-border supply 2. Movement of consumers 3. Commercial presence 4. Movement of personnel
Tourism and travel related services		
A. Hotels and restaurants (including catering) (CPC: 641-643)	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and ministerial approval 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on employment of foreigners	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and ministerial approval 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on employment of foreigners
B. Travel agencies and tour operators services* (CPC: 7471)	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and ministerial approval 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on employment of foreigners	1. No limitation 2. No limitation 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and ministerial approval 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on employment of foreigners

*Reserved for companies specializing only in "environmental" tourism

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<u>Other business services</u>		
Technical testing and analysis services* (CPC: 8676)	1. Not bound 2. Not bound 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and approval of the ministries concerned 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on the employment of foreigners	1. Not bound 2. Not bound 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and approval of the ministries concerned 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on the employment of foreigners
<u>Construction and related engineering services</u>		
Installation and assembly work* ^x (CPC: 514 + 516)	1. Not bound 2. Not bound 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and approval of the ministries concerned 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on the employment of foreigners	1. Not bound 2. Not bound 3. No limitation, subject to existing regulations and approval of the ministries concerned 4. No limitation, subject to existing regulations on the employment of foreigners

*Applies to activities in the following sectors:

- (a) Research, extraction or processing of natural substances for the pharmaceutical industry;
- (b) Basic pharmacological research.

**Applies to the services of erection of pre-fabricated houses and buildings.