

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR LES TARIFS DOUANIERS ET LE COMMERCE

ACUERDO GENERAL SOBRE ARANCELES ADUANEROS Y COMERCIO

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Informal Working Group on Negotiations  
on Government Procurement

NEGOTIATIONS ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

Offers

Attached is a copy of the offer<sup>1</sup> from Israel in the negotiations on the improvement, expansion and broadening of the Agreement on Government Procurement.

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Groupe de travail informel des négociations  
sur les marchés publics

NEGOCIATIONS SUR LES MARCHES PUBLICS

Offres

On trouvera ci-joint copie de l'offre<sup>1</sup> qu'Israël a faite dans le cadre des négociations sur l'amélioration, l'extension et l'élargissement de l'Accord relatif aux marchés publics.

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Grupo de Trabajo Informal de las Negociaciones  
sobre Compras del Sector Público

NEGOCIACIONES SOBRE COMPRAS DEL SECTOR PUBLICO

Ofertas

Adjunta figura la oferta<sup>1</sup> presentada por Israel en las negociaciones sobre la mejora, expansión y ampliación del Acuerdo sobre Compras del Sector Público.

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<sup>1</sup>English only/Anglais seulement/En inglés solamente.

Israel's Offer in the Negotiations on Government Procurement

Non paper

Attached is the Israeli offer which is conditional upon the outcome of the negotiations especially with regard to preserving Israel's rights under the existing Code.

Israel reserves the right to amend, reduce or withdraw as well as extend - its offer.

ANNEX 1

Central Government Entities which Procure in Accordance  
with the Provisions of this Agreement

Name of Country: Israel

Supplies

Services\*

Threshold: 130,000 SDR

Threshold: 500,000 SDR

List of entities\*\*

1. House of Representatives (the Knesset)
2. Prime Minister's Office
3. Government Press Office
4. General Bureau of Statistics
5. Ministry of Agriculture
6. Israel Lands Administration
7. Ministry of Communications
8. Ministry of Construction and Housing
9. Ministry of Economics and Planning
10. Ministry of Education and Culture
11. Council for Higher Education
12. Israel's Academy of Sciences and Humanities
13. Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure excluding Fuel Authority
14. Ministry of the Environment
15. Ministry of Finance
16. Civil Service Commissioner
17. Ministry of Foreign Affairs
18. Ministry of Health - Excluding hospitals and a list of products which is attached herewith
19. Ministry of Immigrant Absorption
20. Ministry of Industry and Trade
21. Ministry of the Interior
22. Ministry of Justice
23. Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs
24. Israel Productivity Institute
25. National Insurance Institute
26. Ministry of Religious Affairs
27. Ministry of Science and Technology
28. Ministry of Tourism
29. Ministry of Transport

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\*A list of services is under preparation

\*\*The indication of a ministry includes all its departments unless otherwise specified

Ministry of Health - Excepted Products

- Insulin and infusion pumps
- Audiometers
- Medical dressings (bandages, adhesive tapes and gauze)
- Intravenous solution
- Administration sets for transfusions
- Scalp vein sets
- Hemi-dialysis and blood lines
- Blood packs
- Syringe needles

ANNEX 2

Sub-Central Government Entities which Procure in Accordance  
with the Provisions of this Agreement

Name of Country: Israel

Supplies

Threshold: 250,000 SDR

Services

Threshold: 1,000,000 SDR

List of entities:

- Municipalities of Jerusalem, Tel-Aviv and Haifa
- The company for economy and management of the Center of Local Government

ANNEX 3

All other Entities that Procure in Accordance with the  
Provisions of the Agreement

Name of Country: Israel

Supplies

Threshold: 450,000 SDR

List of Entities

- Israel Airports Authority
- Israel Ports and Railways Authorities (1)
- Israel Broadcasting Authority
- Israel Educational Television
- Postal Authority
- Bezek (Israel Communication Company) (1)
- Israel Electricity Company (2)
- Mekoroth Water Resources Ltd.
- Sports' Gambling Arrangement Board
- Israel Standards Institute

Notes:

- (1) Procurement of cables is excluded
- (2) Procurement of cables, electric meters and transformers are excluded

Communication from Israel concerning the Offset Provision

Following Israel's offer within the framework of the negotiations, and based on the suggested Article XVI regarding offsets in the recent Working Paper, Israel would like to note that the offer has been concluded with the understanding that Israel's rights under the existing Code will be preserved.

We therefore wish to attach to our offer the following note:

Having regard to Article XVI and to the needs of Israel's industrial development, Israel may operate provisions which require the limited incorporation of domestic content, offset procurement or transfer of technology, in the form of objective and clearly defined conditions for participation in procedures for the award of contracts, which do not discriminate between other Parties.

This shall be done under the following terms:

- (a) Israel shall ensure that its entities indicate the existence of such conditions in their tender notices and specify them clearly in the contract documents.
- (b) Suppliers will not be required to purchase goods that are not offered on competitive terms, including price and quality, or to take any action which is not justified from a commercial standpoint.
- (c) Offsets in any form may be required up to 40 per cent of the contract.