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MODIFICATION TO APPENDIX I OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

Communication from the European Community

The following communication from the Permanent Delegation of the European Community was received on 2 June 1997, with the request that it be circulated to the Parties to the Agreement on Government Procurement (1994).

I have the honour to inform you that the European Communities have taken note of the information circulated in WTO document GPA/14 of 23 May 1997 that the Government of Hong Kong has deposited its instrument of accession to the Agreement on Government Procurement with the WTO (WT/Let/141) and that the Agreement will enter into force for Hong Kong on 19 June 1997.

In the light of this situation, I am writing to you concerning a consequential modification to the General Notes in Appendix I of the European Communities to the Government Procurement Agreement according to Article XXIV of the Agreement which contains the provisions on modifications to the Appendices. This communication is to be considered a formal notification under sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 6 of Article XXIV of the Agreement.

The modification which the European Communities hereby notify is that the words: "Hong Kong" be deleted from the European Communities General Note 1 in Appendix I, third indent, point (b).