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**Committee on Government Procurement**

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## MODIFICATIONS TO APPENDIX I OF SWITZERLAND

### Communication from Switzerland

The following communication from the Permanent Mission of Switzerland was received on 14 October 1997, with the request that it be circulated to the Parties to the Agreement on Government Procurement. In accordance with Article XXIV:6(a), any Party with an objection to the proposed changes is invited to notify the Secretariat within 30 days from the date of issue of this document.<sup>1</sup>

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On the occasion of the deposit of the instruments of accession by the Government of Singapore to the Agreement on Government Procurement on 20 September 1997, Switzerland hereby notifies the WTO that Switzerland's General Note 1 of its Appendix I should be amended in the following way: "Singapore" should be added as regards the award of contracts by entities listed in Annex 3, with respect to the suppliers and service providers in the water and electricity sectors. We kindly ask you to inform the Members of the Committee on Government Procurement before 20 October 1997 that Switzerland's General Note 1 should be amended accordingly (see Annex).

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<sup>1</sup>Article XXIV:6(a) provides that "if the rectifications, transfers or other modifications are of a purely formal or minor nature, they shall become effective provided there is no objection within 30 days. In other cases, the Chairman of the Committee shall promptly convene a meeting of the Committee. The Committee shall consider the proposal and any claim for compensatory adjustments, with a view to maintaining a balance of rights and obligations and a comparable level of mutually agreed coverage provided in this Agreement prior to such notification. In the event of agreement not being reached, the matter may be pursued in accordance with the provisions contained in Article XXII".

ANNEX\*

Switzerland

NOTES GENERALES ET DEROGATIONS AUX DISPOSITIONS DE L'ARTICLE III

Paragraphe 1:	eau:	inclure "Singapour"
	électricité:	inclure "Singapour"

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