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## ISLAS SALOMÓN

### Proyecto de Lista convertida de Compromisos Específicos<sup>1</sup>

El documento adjunto contiene el proyecto de Lista convertida de Compromisos Específicos de las Islas Salomón, en formato Word. Este documento no sustituye los compromisos jurídicamente vinculantes contraídos por Islas Salomón en su Lista de Compromisos Específicos (GATS/SC/117).

Adjunto al proyecto de lista convertida figura la Lista de Exenciones del Artículo II (NMF) de las Islas Salomón (GATS/EL/117) en formato Word.

Los proyectos de la Lista y de la Lista de Exenciones del trato NMF convertidas fueron preparados por la Secretaría, a petición de los Miembros, para facilitar el proceso de las negociaciones, incluida la presentación de ofertas iniciales.

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## SOLOMON ISLANDS – SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

Modes of supply:      1) Cross-border      2) Consumption abroad      3) Commercial presence      4) Presence of natural persons

Sector or Subsector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
<b>I. HORIZONTAL COMMITMENTS</b>			
ALL SECTORS INCLUDED IN THIS SCHEDULE	<p>3) (a) Normal government approval and registration is required for all foreign investors by the Foreign Investment Board. Such approval is based on an economic needs test, for which the following criteria are, in general, used: (i) provision of new services; (ii) improvement of productive structure of the economy; (iii) viability of the new project especially with respect to foreign exchange earnings or savings; (iv) implications for employment in the Solomon Islands</p> <p>(b) Companies incorporated outside the Solomon Islands must register the name of the company with the Registrar of Companies in the Solomon Islands.</p> <p>(c) Foreign nationals and foreign-owned companies may not purchase land, but may lease from government or land-holding groups.</p> <p>(d) Foreign investors must have a debt to equity ratio of 2:1.</p> <p>4) Unbound except for measures affecting the entry and temporary stay of natural persons in the following categories: managers and specialists who possess knowledge that is necessary for the provision of the service. Entry and temporary stay is limited to those of key importance and where employees are unavailable locally. Entry is limited to 2 years initially with any extension subject to Immigration and Labour requirements.</p>	<p>4) Unbound except as specified under market access.</p> <p>Foreign employees are required to provide on-the-job training to local employees.</p>	

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<b>II. SECTOR-SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS</b>			
1. BUSINESS SERVICES			
A. <u>Professional services</u>			
a) Legal services, home country law, including public international law (CPC 861**)	1) None 2) None 3) None, other than the commercial presence must take the form of a sole proprietorship or partnership. 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section.	1) None 2) None 3) None, other than the commercial presence must take the form of a sole proprietorship or partnership. 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section.	
b) Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	
d) Architectural services (CPC 8671)	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	
e) Engineering services (CPC 8672)	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	

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3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES			
A. <u>General construction work for buildings</u> (CPC 512)	1) Unbound* 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) Unbound* 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	
B. <u>General construction work for civil engineering</u> (CPC 513)	1) Unbound except where resources and materials are not available locally 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) Unbound except where resources and materials are not available locally 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	
7. FINANCIAL SERVICES			
A. <u>All insurance and insurance related services</u> (CPC 812)	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	
B. <u>Banking and other financial services (excl. insurance)</u> (CPC 811-813)	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	

\* Unbound due to lack of technical feasibility.

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9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES			
A. <u>Hotels and restaurants</u> (including catering) (CPC 641-643)	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	

# SOLOMON ISLANDS – FINAL LIST OF ARTICLE II (MFN) EXEMPTIONS

Sector or Subsector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
ALL SECTORS	Depending on the progress made within the Melanesian Spearhead Group, members of the Group may have recourse to waivers with respect to normal government approval and registration for foreign investors and measures affecting the entry and temporary stay of natural persons.	Member states of the MSG: Vanuatu Papua New Guinea	Indefinite	MSG Members are in the process of expanding links between the states including with respect to trade in goods and services.