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TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES

Background Note by the Secretariat¹

Corrigendum

1. In Paragraph 20, the first two sentences should be replaced with: "As of May 2009, a total of 109 governments, or more than two-thirds of all WTO Members have committed on telecommunications services in their GATS schedules. This means that telecommunications has the third highest number of commitments after tourism and financial services."
2. In Appendix Table A1. entitled "Summary of Specific Commitments on Telecommunications Services, by Member, 2009", the telecommunications commitments of Honduras on did not appear. A corrected version of Table A1 is attached.

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Table A1. Summary of Specific Commitments on Telecommunications Services, by Member, 2009

	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.	h.	i.	j.	k.	l.	m.	n.	o.1.	o.2.
Albania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Antigua and Barbuda	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Argentina	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Armenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Australia	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Austria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Bangladesh	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X	X
Barbados	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Belize	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bolivia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X	X
Brunei Darussalam	X		X			X		X		X	X	X			X	
Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X		X	X
Cambodia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Canada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Chile	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				X	X	X
Cape Verde	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X
China	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Colombia	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Congo RP	X															
Côte d'Ivoire	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X	X
Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cuba	X	X	X	X	X	X										
Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X	X
Djibouti	X	X	X	X	X			X					X		X	X
Dominica	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dominican Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X	X
Ecuador	X							X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Egypt	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
El Salvador	X	X	X	X		X	X								X	X
Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
European Community (12)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X
Finland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X
FYR Macedonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gambia	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Georgia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ghana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X	X
Grenada	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Guatemala	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								X	X
Guyana										X						
Honduras	X	X	X	X	X		X								X	
Hong Kong	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Iceland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X

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	a.	b.	c.	d.	e.	f.	g.	h.	i.	j.	k.	l.	m.	n.	o.1.	o.2.
Trinidad and Tobago	X	X	X	X	X		X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tunisia	X	X		X											X	X
Turkey	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Uganda	X						X								X	X
Ukraine	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
USA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Venezuela	X	X	X				X								X	X
Viet Nam	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Zimbabwe		X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Total Schedules	89	83	84	77	65	77	79	74	70	75	66	64	63	60	87	79

Source: WTO

Note: The European Communities commitments, reflected as one schedule in this table, are those of the EC-12.

Key:

- a. Voice Telephone Services
- b. Packet-Switched Data Transmission Services
- c. Circuit-Switched Data Transmission Services
- d. Telex Services
- e. Telegraph Services
- f. Facsimile Services
- g. Private Leased Circuit Services
- h. Electronic Mail
- i. Voice Mail
- j. On-line Information and Data Base Retrieval
- k. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)
- l. Enhanced/Value-Added Facsimile Services
- m. Code and Protocol Conversion
- n. On-line Information and/or data processing
- o.1. Other – Mobile Cellular
- o.2. Other – Mobile Satellite