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#### **TURKEY**

# Revised Conditional Offer on Services

The following revised offer has been received from the delegation of Turkey on 21 September 2005, with the request that it be circulated to the Members of the Council for Trade in Services.

- 1. Turkey's revised conditional offer to the Services Negotiations is enclosed herewith. This offer includes the Schedule of Specific Commitments and the Article II (MFN) Exemption List. Modifications are indicated in this document by strikethrough for deletions, bold for new text, italics for technical refinements and all are shadowed in grey.
- 2. This offer is conditional and does not prejudge Turkey's final position related to the final commitments as an outcome of the ongoing services negotiations and the overall negotiations under the Doha Development Agenda.
- 3. Turkey reserves the right to withdraw, modify or reduce its revised conditional offer on services and any subsequent conditional offer that might follow, in whole or in part, at any time prior to the conclusion of the negotiations.
- 4. Turkey further reserves the right to make any technical change or correction to this revised conditional offer and any subsequent conditional offer that could follow.

# TURKEY – SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS\*

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
I HORIZONTAL COMMIT	<b>TMENTS</b>		
ALL SECTORS INCLUDED IN THIS SCHEDULE**	1) None 2) None 3) All investment to be made within the range of at least \$50,000 and \$150,000,000 by non-residents (natural or juridical persons)—through: the establishment of incorporated or limited liability companies; the purchase of shares including the portfolio investment registered under the Foreign Investment Encouragement Law No. 6224 (portfolio investment, according to the Article No. 15 F of the Decree No. 32 is subject to the registration within the framework of the Law No. 6224, if the investor desires to participate in the board of directors or general assembly of the company, as well as to interfere in the management of it in any other way); the opening of branches; and the creation of liaison offices, will be authorized by the General Directorate of Foreign Capital provided that such activities are beneficial to the economic development of Turkey, are in the areas open to the Turkish private sector and do not entail a monopoly or special privilege. Foreign investment above \$150 million requires the approval of the Council of Ministers. A new Decree removing this limitation is under preparation. The capital must be brought in cash as foreign exchange or in kind.		

<sup>\*</sup> Note: Turkish legislation related to taxation, prudential and professional competency requirements, immigration policies has not been listed separately in this schedule.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The conditions and criteria, required for obtaining all the permissions and authorizations which are indicated in the schedule and those which are applied for becoming a member of all the related chambers, do not limit market access or qualify national treatment within the scope of Articles XVI and XVII.

les of supply: 1) Sector or Sub-sector	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad  Limitations on Market Access	3) Commercial presence 4) Limitations on National Treatment	Presence of natural perso  Additional Commitmer
Sector of Sub-sector	Authorization is required for the investments by	Diminutons on National Treatment	Additional Commitment
	established foreign owned enterprises or joint		
	ventures in a new line of business and for		
	participation or takeover of existing enterprises.		
	For the investments in the same line of		
	business, proposals are generally approved as a		
	matter of course. None except liaison offices.		
	The Undersecretariat of Treasury is		
	authorised to permit foreign companies		
	established under the laws of foreign		
	countries to open liaison offices, provided		
	that they do not engage in commercial		
	activities in Turkey.		
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	Real Estate		
	Foreign controlled firms Companies with		
	foreign capital are permitted to acquire real		
	estate in Turkey pursuant to Foreign <i>Direct</i> Investment legislation provided that the real		
	estate to be acquired is related to the investor's		
	permitted activities. However, foreign		
	controlled enterprises are prohibited from		
	engaging in real estate trading.		
	enguging in roar estate trading.		
	<u>Monopolies</u>		
	The following sectors are closed to private		
	investments because of the public monopolies:		
	postal services <i>and</i> telecommunications; <b>voice</b>		
	telephony services along with the		
	establishment and operation of all		
	telecommunications infrastructure except		
	private telecommunications networks and		
	telecommunications infrastructure which is		
	contemplated to be established by new		
	operators pursuant to their authorizations;		
	railways; administration of harbour and quay;		
	lotteries in cash, football pools <i>and</i> ; public		
	utilities.		

4) Unbound except for the entry and temporary stay of natural persons in the following categories:  4) The professional services which are assigned only to Turkish citizens by the specific laws cannot be rendered by foreigners either as service providers or as the personnel of service providers. On the other hand foreign citizens with Turkish origin may work in professions which are assigned only to Turkish citizens with the permission obtained from the Ministry of Interior Labour and Social Security.  Those professions which are assigned only to Turkish citizens are given below:  A. Administrative and technical Personnel Work permits for the employment of the below defined administrative and technical personnel of a foreign service provider in the branch, subsidiary, affiliate or representative office are given by the relevant authorities Ministry of	Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
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the Foreign Capital legislation and the other  Laws concerning the employment of foreigners. The work permits are valid up to 2 years issued for a period of maximum 1 year and subject to renewal after that may be extended additional  2 years. In addition to the work permits, the Ministry of Interior gives residence permits for the same personnel for the periods of up to 2 years, which can be extended parallel to the work permits.  Laws concerning the employment of foreigners.  12)Those personnel working in Free Trade Zones other than managers and qualified personnel, 13) Those personnel undertaking coastal commerce and related activities, 14) Opticians, 15) Doctors, pharmacists and veterinarians dealing with laboratory services, 16) Lawyers who practice in Turkish Courts,  17) Accountants and Certified Public Accountants.	Sector or Sub-sector	A. Administrative and technical Personnel Work permits for the employment of the below defined administrative and technical personnel of a foreign service provider in the branch, subsidiary, affiliate or representative office are given by the relevant authorities Ministry of Labor and Social Security in accordance with the Foreign Capital legislation and the other Laws concerning the employment of foreigners. The work permits are valid up to 2 years issued for a period of maximum 1 year and subject to renewal after that may be extended additional 2 years. In addition to the work permits, the Ministry of Interior gives residence permits for the same personnel for the periods of up to 2 years, which can be extended parallel to the work permit renewals parallel to work	4) The professional services which are assigned only to Turkish citizens by the specific laws cannot be rendered by foreigners either as service providers or as the personnel of service providers. On the other hand foreign citizens with Turkish origin may work in professions which are assigned only to Turkish citizens with the permission obtained from the Ministry of <i>Interior Labour and Social Security</i> . Those professions which are assigned only to Turkish citizens are given below:  1) Doctors, 2) Pharmacists, 3) Nurses, 4) Veterinarians, 5) Responsible directors of the factories producing medicine, 6) Guides, 7) Responsible directors of private hospitals, 8) Responsible directors of travel agencies, 9) Directors of newspaper, 10) Dentists, 11) Notaries, 12)Those personnel working in Free Trade Zones other than managers and qualified personnel, 13) Those personnel undertaking coastal commerce and related activities, 14) Opticians, 15) Doctors, pharmacists and veterinarians dealing with laboratory services, 16) Lawyers who practice in Turkish Courts, 17) Accountants and Certified Public	Additional Commitments

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	<b>Limitations on National Treatment</b>	Additional Commitments
	Managers-executives Persons who primarily direct the organization or one of its departments and who receive only general supervision or direction from higher-level executives, the board of directors or the stockholders of the organization.		
	Persons working in a senior position within an organization who primarily direct the management of the organization; direct the organization or a department or sub-division of the organization; supervise and control the work of other supervisory, professional or managerial employees; have the authority personally to hire and fire personnel or to make such recommendation.		
	Specialists Highly qualified persons who, within an Organization, are indispensable for the provision of a specific service by reason of their knowledge at an advanced level of expertise in the field of services, research equipment, techniques or management of the organization.		
	B. Service sellers It is not necessary to obtain work permits and residence permits for natural persons (service sellers as defined below) who stay in Turkey for not more than 30 days, for the purpose of participating in business meetings, business contracts including negotiations for the sale of services, entry into contract to sell services and visit of business establishments, or other similar activities.		

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
	Service sellers Defined as persons employed or mandated by an organization and who stay temporarily in another signatory country in order to conclude the sale of service on behalf of the organization which employs them or has mandated them. Service sellers may not sell services directly to the general public.		
II SECTOR SPECIFIC COM	MMITMENTS		
1. BUSINESS SERVICES			
A. <u>Professional Services</u>			
(a) Legal services (advisory services on foreign and International Law only)(Part of CPC 861*)	<ol> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> </ol> 4) None	<ol> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>Representation in the Turkish Courts is assigned only to Turkish nationals.</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	
(b) Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)	<ol> <li>Unbound</li> <li>None</li> <li>Authorized financial advisers<sup>1</sup> establish their company among themselves after being a member of the related Chamber.</li> <li>Unbound</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Unbound</li> <li>None</li> <li>Foreign titles and names cannot be used in the titles of partnerships or corporations among Turkish and Foreign Financial Advisers (this restriction will be eliminated by an amendment to the related regulation).</li> <li>Turkish citizenship is required for Accountants and Certified Public Accountants.</li> </ol>	
(d),(e)Engineering and Architectural services (CPC 8671, 8672)	1) <sup>2</sup> None 2) <sup>2</sup> None 3) <sup>2</sup> None 4) <sup>2</sup> None	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) None	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Foreign financial advisers can be authorized, under reciprocal condition, by the approval of the Prime Minister upon the proposal of the Ministry of Finance. Foreign financial advisers can perform all the accountancy, tax advisory, financial advisory and auditing services without making certification.

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Engineers and Architects.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Cons	sumption abroad	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Acces	ess	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
B. Computer and Related				
<u>Services</u>				
(a) Consultancy services	1) <sup>4</sup> None	1)	None	
related to the installation of	2) None	2)	None	
computer hardware	3) <sup>4</sup> None	,	None	
(CPC 841)	4) <sup>4</sup> None	4)	None	
(b) Software implementation				
services (CPC 842)				
(c) Data processing services				
(CPC 840 843)				
(e) Other				
(Part of CPC 8499)				
- Training services for staff of clients <sup>3</sup>				
starr of chefts				
F. Other Business Services				
Simol Business Services				
(a) Advertising services	1) None	1)	None	
(CPC 871)	2) None	,	None	
(b) Market research services	3) None		None	
(CPC 864)	4) None	4)	None	
(c) Management consulting				
services (CPC 865)				
(q) Packaging services				
(CPC 876)				

<sup>3</sup> Electrical, electronic and computer engineers must obtain proficiency and qualification certificates from the permanent in service training center of the Chamber of Electrical Engineers.

<sup>4</sup> Foreign computer engineers may engage in these services after becoming a temporary member of the related professional chamber under the Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects.

Mo	des of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
	Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access		Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
(f)	Services incidental to hunting (CPC 881)	<ol> <li>Establishment is required</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	1) 2)	None According to the decision of Commission of Hunting by obtaining the hunting licence, foreigners may hunt for 10 days and pay US\$ 50 fee per day. None	
		<ul> <li>3) Only Group A travel agencies may operate in this field with the condition of obtaining hunting licence</li> <li>4) None</li> </ul>	<ul><li>3)</li><li>4)</li></ul>	None	
(h)	Services incidental to mining (CPC 883, 515 5115)	<ol> <li>Establishment is required.</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	1) 2) 3) 4)	Nationality is required for real person None None None None	
2.	COMMUNICATION SERVICES				
A.	Postal Services (CPC 7511)	<ul><li>1),3) Public monopoly</li><li>2) None</li><li>4) Unbound</li></ul>	1),3 2) 4)	B) Public monopoly None Unbound	
В.	Courier Services (CPC 7512)	1),3) None 2) None 4) None	1),3 2) 4)	8) None None None	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Petroleum and Mining Laws specify that services incidental to mining require an operating licence.

<sup>6</sup> Foreign engineers and architects may engage in these services after becoming a temporary member of the related professional chamber under the Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
C. <u>Telecommunication</u> <u>Services</u> <sup>7</sup> <sup>8</sup>			- <u>Independent Regulatory</u> The regulatory body is  separate from and not
<ul><li>(a) Voice telephone services</li><li>(b) Packet-switched data transmission services</li></ul>	1),3) Türk Telekomünikasyon A.S. is the exclusive operator. Exclusive right will end by 31.12.2005, subject to adoption of the relevant legislation by the parliament.  2) None	1),3) None except as indicated in the market access column.  2) None	accountable to any supplier of basic telecommunications services. The decisions of and the procedures used by regulators shall be impartial
	4) Unbound except as indicated in horizontal section.	4) Unbound except as indicated in horizontal section.	with respect to all market participants.
<ul> <li>(c) Circuit-switched data transmission services</li> <li>(d) Telex services</li> <li>(f) Facsimile services</li> <li>(g) Private leased circuit services</li> </ul>	1),3) Interconnection between private companies is prohibited. The licenses and permissions are available only for the companies which deal with the subject of licence and registered in Turkey. Total Turkish citizens equity should not be less than 51%.	1),3) None except as indicated in the market access column.	Regulatory and operational functions are separated. The Directorate General of Communications established within the Ministry of Transport and
	None     Unbound except as indicated in horizontal section.	None     Unbound except as indicated in horizontal section.	Communications is the Responsible Body to: - Regulate the required qualifications for operators, Issue licenses, - Inspect, - Give type approval for telecommunications terminal equipment.

<sup>7</sup> The scope of basic telecommunications in our final Schedule does not cover any kind of (analog-digital) radio and TV programme broadcasting services to the public.

8 Turksat Satellite Communication and Operation A.S., as a publicly owned and privately operated company, is the responsible operator of the satellite networks and holds exclusive rights to apply to the International Telecommunications Union for new satellite networks on behalf of Turkey, to perform frequency coordination and to fulfill other obligations and liabilities about these issues.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
(h) Electronic mail (CPC 7523)	1),3) Public monopoly. Revenue-sharing model may be applied.	1),3) None	Additional Commitments  - Public Availability of Licensing Criteria  Where a licence is required, the following will be made publicly available:  (a) all the licensing criteria and the period of time normally required to reach on decision concerning an application for a licence and  (b) the terms and conditions of individual licenses.
(i) Voice mail (CPC 7523)	2) None 4) Unbound except personnel at the establishment stage of the system in case of revenue sharing applications  1),3) Public monopoly 2) None 4) Unbound	2) None 4) None  1),3) Public monopoly 2) None 4) Unbound	
(j) On-line information and data-base retrieval (CPC 7523)	1),3) Public monopoly 2) None 4) Unbound	1),3) Public monopoly 2) None 4) Unbound	
(k) Electronic data interchange (CPC 7523)	<ul> <li>1),3) Public monopoly. Revenue-sharing model may be applied.</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>4) Unbound except personnel at the establishment stage of the system in case of revenue sharing applications</li> </ul>	1),3) None  2) None 4) None	

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
(1) Enhanced/value-added facsimile services, incl. Store and forward, store and retrieve (CPC 7523)	<ul> <li>1),3) Public monopoly. Revenue sharing model may be applied.</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>4) Unbound except personnel at the establishment stage of the system in case of revenue sharing</li> </ul>	1),3) None  2) None  4) None	
(m) Code and protocol	applications  1),3) Public monopoly. Revenue sharing model may be applied.  2) None  4) Unbound except personnel at the establishment stage of the system in case of revenue sharing applications	1),3) None  2) None 4) None	
(n) On-line information and/or data processing (CPC 843)	1),3) Public monopoly 2) None 4) Unbound	1),3) Public monopoly 2) None 4) Unbound	
<ul> <li>(o) Others</li> <li>Mobile services         <ul> <li>analog/digital cellular</li> </ul> </li> <li>Paging services</li> <li>Cable TV platform         <ul> <li>services</li> </ul> </li> <li>Satellite Communications         <ul> <li>Services (VSAT, SCPC</li> <li>VSAT)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Satellite Platform Services</li> </ul>	1),3) The Ministry of Transport and Communications may grant licence and authorization to private companies for the operation of network, with licensing criteria publicly available. Interconnection between private companies is prohibited. The licences and permissions are available only for the companies which deal with the subject of licence and registered in Turkey. Total Turkish citizens equity Should not be less than 51%.  2) None	1),3) None except as indicated in the market access column.  2) None	
<ul> <li>GMPCS services</li> <li>SMS services over mobile Networks</li> <li>Partial Infrastructure establishment services</li> <li>Internet Provision and Access Services</li> <li>Audiotext Services over PSTN</li> <li>Private/Public Access Mobile Radio Services</li> </ul>	4) Unbound except as indicated in horizontal section.	4) Unbound except as indicated in horizontal section.	

Modes of supply: 1)	)	Cross-border supply	2)	Consumption abroad	d 3)	Commercial presence	4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector		Limitations	on Mark	et Access	Limitat	ions on National Treatme	nt	Additional Commitments
		1),3) None except; the	monopol	y of Türk Telekom	1),3) None			
		on voice telephony	until 31.	.12.2003 or the				
		date when the stat	e shares (	<del>of Türk Telekom</del>				
		fall below 50%. E	<del>stablishn</del>	nent and operation				
		of all telecommuni	<del>cations i</del>	<del>nfrastructure,</del>				
		other than private	telecomi	munication				
		networks and telec	<del>communi</del>	cation				
		<del>infrastructure whi</del>	<del>ch is con</del>	templated to be				
		established by new	<del>operato</del>	<del>rs pursuant to</del>				
		their authorization	<del>is, are in</del>	<del>cluded in the</del>				
		monopoly scope.						
		Foreign natural ar	<del>id legal p</del>	<del>persons can not</del>				
		hold more than 45	<del>% of Tü</del> ı	<del>rk Telekom shares</del>				
		and they may not	<del>directly o</del>	or indirectly own				
		the majority share	s of the c	<del>company.</del>				
		With regard to ser						
		concession agreem		-				
		can be owned by fo	<del>oreign in</del>	vestors.				

<sup>8</sup> Concession Agreement:

An agreement that an operator signs with the Telecommunications Authority to establish and operate nationwide telecommunications infrastructures and/or services that require limited number of operators and allocation of scarce resources.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
	<ol> <li>Unbound</li> <li>None</li> <li>None except; in order to be authorized, establishment is required in the form of a joint-stock or limited liability company. Services that fall under Concession Agreements<sup>9</sup> or Type 1 Telecommunications Licenses<sup>10</sup> can only be provided by joint-stock companies. If necessary, public organizations and state-owned enterprises are authorized by Authorization Agreements.</li> <li>Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section</li> </ol>	Unbound     None     None  Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section	Turkey Undertakes the obligations contained in the reference paper attached hereto.
(e) Telegraph services	<ol> <li>Directorate General of Posts General         Directorate of PTT is the exclusive service         provider.</li> <li>None</li> <li>Directorate General of Posts General         Directorate of PTT is the exclusive service         provider.</li> <li>Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal         section.</li> </ol>	1) None except as indicated in the market access column.  2) None 3) None except as indicated in the market access column.  4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Concession Agreement: An agreement which includes allocation of scarce resources, signed between an operator and Telecommunications Authority that grants specific and special rights and obligations to each of the limited number of operators for the operation of nationwide telecommunications services and/or for the establishment and operation of telecommunications infrastructures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> <u>First Type Telecommunications Licence</u>: First type telecommunications licence which includes allocation of scarce resources is granted by Telecommunications Authority to the limited number of operators for the operation of regional or local telecommunications services and/or for the establishment and operation of telecommunications infrastructures.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2	2) Consumption abro	ad 3) C	Commercial presence	4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on N	Market Access	Limitations	s on National Treatme	ent	<b>Additional Commitments</b>
3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES (CPC 512, 513, 514+516, 517)	1) <sup>911</sup> None	Tarket Access	1) Investor public domestic firm do such as er consultancy is not subject to out with the texcept in proinstitutions.  In Governmendiscrimination companies is accordingly to Ministers, and 15 per cent in determining this issue and applied if participal companies in tenders herocurementic firms and the second public for the secon	olic entities will give prims in works that they congineering, architectural services in investments of patent and could be contected to be invested in Turbojects financed by intervent tenders, the ratio of the primary of national sector of the decision of Court to the Decision of Decision of Court to the Decision of Decision of Court to the Decision of Decision of Decision of Court to the Dec	ority to ould not al and that are arried key national  nistry neil of ed up to mpanies owever, to be d	Additional Communicates

Responsible Foreign engineers of and architects of the firms must be may engage in these services after becoming a temporary members of the related professional chamber under the Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects. Foreign contractors or foreign establishments which contracted, solely or jointly with national firms, engineering or architecture-related works with public entities or real natural and legal persons in the public or private sectors, may employ foreign specialists only for these works with approval of the Ministry of Labor and Social Security based on the opinions of the Ministry of Public Works and Settlement based on the opinion of and Administrative Committee of the Union of Chambers. Foreign engineers and architects in activities other than those mentioned above could be employed by the decision approval of the Ministry of Labor and Social Security based on the opinions of the Ministry of Public Works and Settlement upon the opinion of and Administrative Committee of Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects. However, those brought for advisory works by public offices, official and private companies and real natural persons and legal entities and those who come for technical instruction are not bound to the above rule. These persons may not work in other activities other than those mentioned above. The foreign engineers and architects, who want to stay more than one month in Turkey must apply to the related Union of Chambers in order to become a temporary member.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	oad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	<b>Additional Commitments</b>
		<ul> <li>restricting participation to only domestic tenderers in tenders of which estimated values are below the threshold values,</li> <li>providing up to 15% price advantage in favour of domestic tenderers in procurement of services and public works in tenders of which estimated values are above threshold values.         However, this provision is not applicable for the domestic tenderers who participate in the tender proceedings by forming joint ventures with foreign tenderers.     </li> </ul>	
	<ol> <li>None</li> <li>For Construction Services, establishing ordinary partnership under Civil Code (which is not a legal entity) excluding the ordinary partnership formed for international tenders in Turkey by the non-residents is subject to permission of the Ministry to which the Undersecretariat of Treasury and Foreign Trade (UTFT) is attached.         None 4)<sup>10</sup> II None     </li> </ol>	2) None 3) None 4) None	

Responsible engineers or architects of the firms must be temporary members of the related Union of Chambers.

Responsible Foreign engineers or and architects of the firms must be may engage in these services after becoming a temporary members of the related professional chamber under the Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects. Foreign contractors or foreign establishments which contracted, solely or jointly with national firms, engineering or architecture-related works with public entities

or real natural and legal persons in the public or private sectors, may employ foreign specialists only for these works with approval of the Ministry of Labor and Sectlement based on the opinions of the Ministry of Public Works and Sectlement based on the opinion of the Union of Chambers. Foreign engineers and architects in activities other than those mentioned above could be employed by the decision approval of the Ministry of Labor and Social Security based on the opinions of the Ministry of Public Works and Settlement upon and Administrative Committee of Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects. However, those brought for advisory works by public offices, official and private companies and real natural persons and legal entities and those who come for technical instruction are not bound to the above rule. These persons may not work in other activities other than those mentioned above. The foreign engineers and architects, who want to stay more than one month in Turkey must apply to the related Union of Chambers in order to become a temporary member.

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Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
5. EDUCATION SERVICES  A.,B.,E. Primary, Secondary and Other Educational Services (CPC 921, 922, 929)	<ol> <li>1),3) Real Natural and legal foreign persons directly or by establishing partnership with Turkish citizens may establish international educational institutions (including vocational and technical schools) only for foreign students.</li> <li>2) None</li> <li>4) Foreign teachers and experts may work in preprimary, primary and secondary educational institutions and in non-formal educational institutions (i.e. in language teaching and vocational training centers) after taking</li> </ol>	1),3) None  2) None 4) None	
C. <u>Higher Education Services</u> (CPC 923)	<ol> <li>getting permission from the Ministry of National Education.</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>Private universities are founded by Law and can only be established by foundations constituted Under Civil Code with the permission of the Council of Ministers, provided that the The majority of the administration of such foundations must be Turkish citizens.</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	1) None 2) None 3) None	
6. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES			
A. <u>Sewage Services</u> (CPC 9401)	1) Unbound 2) None 3) None 4) <sup>12</sup> None	1) Unbound 2) None 3) None 4) None	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Foreign engineers and architects may engage in these services after becoming a temporary member of the related professional chamber under the Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects

Mo	des of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption al	road	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
	Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access		Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
B.	Refuse Disposal Services	1) Unbound	1)	Unbound	
	(CPC 9402)	2) None	2)	None	
		3) None	3)	None	
		4) <sup>12</sup> None	4)	None	
C.	Sanitation and Similar	1) Unbound	1)	Unbound	
	Services	2) None	2)	None	
	(CPC 9403)	3) None	3)	None	
		$4)^{12}$ None	4)	None	

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Modes of supply: 1)	1	Cross-border supply	2)	Consumption abroad	d 3)	Commercial presence	4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector		Limitations of	on Market	Access	Limit	tations on National Treatmen	ıt	Additional Commitments
7. FINANCIAL SERVICE	ES							
Understanding).  The market access communication Understanding respective The admission to the man	nitmen ely. irket of ce of, a	ts in respect of modes 1) The financial services of the consistency with, a respect to the consistency with the co	and 2) apport products egulatory for	oly only to the transaction (such as sub sectors !	etions indic	Understanding on Commitment ated in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the state of	he marke	et access section of the  Other Financial Services ) may
Banking		3) Establishment of a b		has to be in the	3) None			
Daliking		form of a joint-stock the first branch of a authorization from the According to the production additional condition regulation, for the expension of the expens	c company foreign ba he Council evailing cir Treasury n is, which as stablishme inch of a fo the establish eceretariat o operations.  lish a bank orm of a jo a the first b rkey, shall he Banking A permiss ived follow stablishme ns, in order	and opening of onk require lef Ministers. reumstances, the may require re determined by a ont of a bank or oreign bank in shment, operation of Treasury must ellecting deposits of the which has to be int-stock or and of a gregulation and ion to operate ing the or branch of a branch of a company to the or branch or to start	5) None			

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	<b>Limitations on National Treatment</b>	Additional Commitments
	The establishment of additional branches by the		
	banks is subject to the meeting of the criteria		
	and ratios required by the Undersecretariat of		
	Treasury. The Undersecretariat has the right to		
	limit or prohibit the additional branch		
	establishment, if necessary.		
	The establishment of the first branch of a non-		
	resident bank as well as establishment of a		
	domestic or foreign bank is subject to the same		
	amount of minimum capital requirement set		
	forth in the Banks Act.		
	According to the Banks Act, lending limits for		
	the branches of foreign banks are based on		
	branch capital rather than worldwide capital.		
	The establishment of domestic or foreign banks		
	as well as the first branch of a non resident bank		
	are subject to the same amount of minimum		
	capital requirement. Acquisition or transfer of		
	the shares representing a ratio equal or higher		
	than 5, 20, 33 and 50 per cent of the capital is		
	subject to the authorization of the		
	Undersecretariat of Treasury.		
	Any acquisition of shares that result in the		
	acquisition by one person directly or indirectly		
	of shares representing 10% or more of the		
	capital of a bank, or if shares held by one		
	shareholder exceed 10%, 20%, 33% or 50% of		
	the capital as a result thereof, and assignments		
	of shares that result in shares held by one		
	shareholder falling below the percentages		
	above, shall require the permission of the		
	Banking Regulation and Supervision Board.		

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
<u>Insurance</u>	3) In order to be established in Turkey, insurance and reinsurance companies have to be founded in the form of a joint stock or a mutual company. Foreign insurance and reinsurance companies may operate in Turkey by opening branches as well.	3)None	
	However, reinsurance companies can do reinsurance business without fulfilling establishment conditions mentioned above.		
	Establishment of insurance and reinsurance companies or opening of a branch of a foreign insurance or a reinsurance company is subject to prior permission of the Ministry of State. Following the establishment, operation licence from Undersecretariat of Treasury must be		
	obtained in order to start insurance or reinsurance business.  Acquisition or transfer of shares representing 10, 20, 33, 50 per cent or higher of the capital is subject to the authorization of Undersecretariat		
	of Treasury.  Insurance and reinsurance companies have to be established in the form of a joint-stock or a mutual company. Establishing an insurance or		
	a reinsurance company or opening a branch of an insurance or a reinsurance company is subject to prior permission of the Ministry of State. Following the establishment, operation license from the Undersecretariat of Treasury must be obtained in order to start insurance or reinsurance business.		

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	oad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Sector of Sub-sector	3),4) Engaging of natural persons in brokerage business or establishment of an insurance and reinsurance broker company or opening of a branch of a foreign insurance and reinsurance broker company in Turkey is subject to prior permission and obtaining operation licence from Undersecretariat of Treasury. Such a firm must be founded in the form of a joint stock or a limited liability company, and must possess the required minimum paid in capital.  Foreign commercial presence or presence of foreign natural persons regarding services auxiliary to insurance is permitted only for consultancy and risk management.  4) Natural person insurance and reinsurance brokers have to reside in Turkey and they must have at least 5 years of experience as brokers in their countries of origin.	3),4) None  4) None	Additional Communicates
Securities market	3) For the establishment and operations of capital market institutions H 13 the permission of the Capital Market Markets Board is required. Also, banks engaging in capital market activities are required to obtain from the Capital Markets Board appropriate authorization certificates for these activities.—If banks or insurance companies apply to the Capital Markets Board to form a mutual fund or to increase fund capital, the opinion of the Banking Regulation and Supervision Board and the Undersecretariat of Treasury has to be obtained respectively to finalize the applications.	3) None	

 <sup>44 13</sup> According to the Capital Market Law, capital market institutions are specified as follows:
 (a) Securities Intermediary Institutions.
 (b) Investment Corporations Companies.

<sup>(</sup>c) Mutual Funds

<sup>(</sup>d) Other capital market institutions permitted to operate in the capital market such as clearing and custodial houses, rating and auditing institutions, etc.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access  Establishment of branches and agencies by securities intermediary institutions established in Turkey also requires the Capital Markets Board's permission. The permission of the Board is required for obtaining 5 per cent or more of the capital of already established securities intermediary institutions by one shareholder (natural or legal persons).  Permission of the Capital Markets Board is required when a legal or natural person (or more persons acting in concert) acquire(s) a minimum of 10% of outstanding shares to become a shareholder of an already established securities intermediary institution. Same permission requirement also applies when the threshold of 10%,20%, 33% or 50% capital by one owner or more owners acting in concert is crossed upward or downward.  Securities intermediary institutions, investment corporations companies, portfolio management companies and rating agencies and other capital market institutions can only be established in the form of a joint-stock company.  Establishment of branches and representative offices of foreign non-bank intermediary institutions is not permitted.  Additionally, operations of all capital market institutions and banks are subject to the permission of the Capital Markets Board. While giving such permission, the Capital Markets Board issues "Authorization Certificates" for the activities to be carried out by each institution.	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments

Modes of supply:	1) (	Cross-border supply	2) Consumption abro	oad	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sec	ctor		Market Access		Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
		recognized by the Cap case of partnership wi agency recognized by Board, the share of the	ernational rating agency pital Markets Board. In the an international rating the Capital Markets international rating in the strength of the s			
OTHER FINANCI SERVICES	IAL					
A. Financial leasing s	ervice 3	be established (a) in the company., and (b) three and opening of a brane opening of a braneh opening of (b), subject to	panies (lessors) can <i>only</i> ne form of a joint-stock ough the establishment set of a lessor, as well as f a foreign lessor. In the prior permission of the hich the Undersecretariat d.	3)	The minimum paid-in capital required for opening a branch by a foreign lessor is more than that of establishing a company.	
		Establishing a financ opening of a branch o lessor is subject to pri Ministry of State.				
B. Factoring and cons credit services	sumer 3	, ,	and consumer credit tablished in the form of a	3)	None	
			of these companies, prior lersecretariat of Treasury			

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
C. Authorized institutions (foreign exchange dealers)	<ul> <li>In order to engage in activities as an authorized institution, the permission of the Undersecretariat of Treasury must be obtained.</li> <li>Authorized institutions must be incorporated established in the form of a joint-stock company.</li> </ul>	3) None	
D. Precious metals exchange	3),4) Precious metals intermediaries (banks, authorized institutions, precious metals intermediary institutions as well as resident and non-resident natural or legal persons) can operate in Istanbul Gold Exchange after being granted the operation licence by the Undersecretariat of Treasury and being registered by the Istanbul Gold Exchange.	3),4) None	
A. Insurance and Insurance-related Services			
(a) (i) Direct insurance			
( <i>i</i> ) ( <i>B</i> ) Non-life	1),2) Unbound except:	1),2) None	
	<ul> <li>(a) The hull insurance of aircrafts, helicopters and ships which are purchased through a foreign loan or leased through a financial leasing contract from abroad, provided that the insurance period is limited to the term of the credit or leasing contract;</li> <li>(b) marine liability insurance;</li> <li>(c) transportation insurance of imported and exported goods;</li> <li>(d) individual accident, sickness personal injury, health and motor vehicle insurance during any travel abroad,</li> <li>(e) insurance of ships and yachts registered with the Turkish International Maritime Registry.</li> </ul>		

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	pad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
	3) None 4) None	Compulsory traffic insurance of publicly owned motor vehicles can only be done by those insurance companies whose majority of paid-in capital belongs to Turkish citizens.      None	
(ii) (A) Life	<ol> <li>Unbound None except group insurance</li> <li>None</li> <li>A certain per cent of paid insurance premiums is deducted from gross wages and corporate income in order to determine real individual and corporate taxable income. In order to benefit from this facility, life insurance policies must be concluded with the insurance companies or the branches of foreign insurance companies established in Turkey. None</li> </ol>	1),2) None-A certain per cent of insurance premiums paid by the income and corporate taxpayer as an employer or/and by wage earners for themselves is deducted from gross income in order to determine real taxable income. In order to benefit from this facility, life insurance policies must be concluded with the insurance companies or the branches of foreign insurance companies established in Turkey	
	4) None	<ul> <li>2) None</li> <li>3) None</li> <li>4) None</li> </ul>	

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption about	oad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	<b>Additional Commitments</b>
(b) (ii) Reinsurance and	1),2) Non life insurance premiums, after holding the	1),2) None	
retrocession	retention, are subject to a certain per cent		
	compulsory ceding to Milli Reinsurance Co. If		
	the total retention ratio of the insurance		
	company reaches to 75 per cent, compulsory		
	ceding is cancelled.		
	Non-life insurance premiums, after holding the		
	retention, are subject to a certain percent (20%		
	of premiums subject to cession) compulsory		
	ceding to the reinsurance pool.		
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	None except non-life insurance premiums.		
	After holding the retention, non-life insurance		
	premiums are subject to a certain percent (20%		
	of premiums subject to cession) compulsory		
	ceding to the reinsurance pool. This		
	procedure will be terminated at the end of		
	2006.	2) N	
	3) None	3) None	
	4) None	4) None	

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
(c) (iii) Insurance intermediation	1),2) Unbound for dependent intermediaries (agencies, producers). Dependent intermediaries can act only on behalf of insurance companies authorized to operate in Turkey. Unbound for intermediaries (agents, producers) except the ones dealing with life insurance and non-life insurance categories indicated in the "(a) (i) Non-life" section.	1),2) None	
	3) Insurance and reinsurance brokers and fully authorized agencies can only engage in insurance related business	3) None	
	Establishing an insurance and reinsurance broker company or opening a branch of a foreign insurance and reinsurance broker company is subject to prior permission and an operation license obtained from Undersecretariat of Treasury. Such a firm must be established in the form of a joint-stock or limited liability company and must possess the required minimum paid-in capital and have at least 5 years of experience in brokerage business.		
	4) Unbound except administrative and technical personnel. Foreign natural person insurance and reinsurance brokers must have at least 5 years of experience as a broker abroad. None except natural person insurance and reinsurance brokers have to reside in Turkey and they must have at least 5 years of experience as brokers in their countries of origin.	4) None except natural person insurance and reinsurance brokers have to reside in Turkey.	

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
(d) (iv) Services auxiliary to insurance	<ol> <li>None except adjusters and actuaries.</li> <li>None</li> <li>None except adjusters and actuaries.</li> <li>and actuaries.</li> </ol>	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
B. Banking and Other Financial Services			
(e) (v) Acceptance of deposits	<ol> <li>None</li> <li>No natural person or legal entity other than those authorized under the Banks Act or under specific regulations <i>may can</i> accept deposits.</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
(f) (vi) Lending of all types			
(i) (A) Consumer credit	<ol> <li>1),2) None</li> <li>Banks and consumer credit companies may can lend consumer credits.</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
(ii) (B) Factoring	<ul><li>1),2) None</li><li>3) Banks and factoring companies can engage in factoring activities.</li><li>4) None</li></ul>	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
(iii)—(C) Mortgage credit and financing of commercial transactions	<ul><li>1),2) None</li><li>3) Banks can engage in trading of these activities.</li><li>4) None</li></ul>	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
(g) (vii) Financial leasing	1),2) Leasing contracts related to cross-border leasing transactions must be permitted by the Undersecretariat of Treasury.	1),2) Regarding cross-border leasing transactions, the annual rent may not be less than the Turkish Lira equivalent of \$25,000.	
	<ul> <li>Banks which are not authorized to accept deposits (Investment Banks and Development Banks) and lessors can engage in financial leasing transactions.</li> <li>None</li> </ul>	3) None 4) None	

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
(h) (viii) All payment and money transmission services	<ul> <li>1),2) None</li> <li>3) Transfers of foreign exchange abroad must be carried out through the banking system.</li> <li>4) None</li> </ul>	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
(i)(ix) Guarantees and commitments	1),2) None except that performance bonds with guarantee letters issued for the transactions specified in the State Tender Public Procurement Law must be obtained from a bank operating in Turkey.  1) 3) None	1),2) None  3) None	
	2) 4) None	4) None	
(j) (x) Trading for own account or for account of customer			
(i) (A) Money market instruments	<ul><li>1),2) None</li><li>3) Banks and securities intermediary institutions can engage in trading of money market instruments.</li></ul>	1),2) None 3) None	
	4) None	4) None	
(ii) (B) Foreign exchange	<ul><li>1),2) None</li><li>3) Banks and authorized institutions can engage in foreign exchange trading.</li><li>4) None</li></ul>	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
(iii) (C) Derivative products	1),2) None 3) Banks and related intermediary institutions can	1),2) None 3) None	
	engage in trading of these products. 4) None	4) None	

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	oad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
(iv) (D) Exchange rate and	1),2) None	1),2) None	
interest rate instruments	3) Banks and related intermediary institutions can engage in trading of these instruments.	3) None	
	4) None	4) None	
(v) (E) Transferable securities	1),2) None	1),2) None	
	3) Banks and securities intermediary institutions can engage in trading of these products.  However, banks can not engage in equities trading in the ISE equities market.	3) None	
	4) None	4) None	
(vi) (F) Other negotiable	1),2) None	1),2) None	
instruments and financial assets, including bullion	3) Banks and related intermediary institutions can engage in trading of these products. Only precious metals intermediaries can engage in trading of bullion in the Istanbul Gold Exchange.	3) None	
	4) None	4) None	
$\frac{(k)}{(xi)}$ Underwriting and	1),2) None	1),2) None	
placement	3) Banks which are not authorized to accept deposits and securities intermediary institutions can provide underwriting and placement services for the securities to be issued after being registered by the Capital <i>Market Markets</i> Board.	3) None	
	4) None	4) None	
(1) (xii) Money broking 12 14	1),2),	1),2),	
	3),4) None	3),4) None	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> 14 This is a new financial service.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 15 This is a new financial service.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro		Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	<b>Limitations on National Treatment</b>	Additional Commitments
(p) (xvi) Advisory, intermediation and other auxiliary services	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	1),2) None 3) None 4) None	
8. HEALTH RELATED AND SOCIAL SERVICES			
A. Hospital Services (CPC 9311)	<ol> <li>Unbound*</li> <li>None</li> <li>Foreigners may establish private hospitals with the permission of Ministry of Health.</li> <li>Unbound</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> </ol> 4) Unbound	
9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES			
A. Hotels and restaurants (CPC 641-643)	<ol> <li>Unbound*</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>After receiving the permission of the Ministry of Interior Labour and Social Security based on the affirmative opinions of the Ministry of Interior and the Ministry of Culture and Tourism, the hotels and restaurants with the tourism encouragement certificate, may employ foreign personnel. But the amount of foreign personnel that would be employed in an enterprise should not exceed 10 per cent of the total personnel. This amount could be increased up to 20 per cent by the decision of the related Ministry of Culture and Tourism.</li> </ol>	1) None 2) None 3) None 4) None	

<sup>\*</sup> Unbound due to the lack of technical feasibility.

44 16 Turkish citizens may travel abroad without any restriction. Only, they are required to pay, with certain exceptions, a TL amount equivalent up to US\$ 100 fee to the Public Housing Fund, for each exit. The Turkish citizens going abroad for education and health purposes, as well as the ones who are either employed or assigned to permanent official duties in foreign countries, are exempt from that payment.

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	<b>Additional Commitments</b>
B. Travel Agencies and Tour Operators Services (CPC 7471)	<ol> <li>Establishment is required</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Foreign travel agencies may not organise tours abroad.</li> <li>None</li> <li>In case of bringing into the country of U\$\$80,000 foreign exchange income from the tours organised by the travel agencies (to Turkey), the temporary operating certificates of A Class Travel Agencies are changed with permanent operating certificate. The amount of foreign exchange stipulated for this transaction is three times more for foreign travel agencies.         The amount of guarantees required for foreign travel agencies is twice as much as national ones. Foreign travel agencies and branches can not benefit from the credits given by Turkish Development Bank to domestic ones. Foreign Travel Agencies may only take A class or temporary A class operating certificates.     </li> </ol>	
	4) None	brought (to Turkey) by the branches of foreign travel agencies in order to be granted Operation Certificate is determined by the Ministry of <i>Culture and</i> Tourism with the appropriate opinion of the Ministry of Finance.  4) None	

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	oad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	<b>Additional Commitments</b>
TRANSPORT SERVICES     A. Maritime Transport     Services Except Cabotage			
(a) Passenger transportation (CPC 7211)	<ul> <li>None except cabotage</li> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>Turkish flag, the shipping</li> </ul>	Charges taken for port services from foreign and Turkish ships may differ in favour of Turkish flag vessels according to the tariffs on port charges which are determined by the port administrations.     None     None     None	
	<ul> <li>companies must have the majority of 51 per cent Turkish shareholders.</li> <li>4) Captain and crew of the Turkish flag vessels should be Turkish residents. citizens.</li> </ul>	Turkish nationality is required for captain and crew.	
(b) Freight transportation (CPC 7212)	1) None except cabotage	The vessels flying Turkish flag ships owned by Turkish citizens either bidding for public cargoes to be shipped to overseas countries or carrying strategic raw materials are benefited from the preference given in favour of them (i.e. they are entitled to be awarded the bids even though their quotations are up to 10 % higher than the lowest foreign flag vessels quotations)  The Undersecretariat of <i>Treasury and</i> Foreign Trade is authorized to permit the public entities to have their imported goods	
		transported by foreign flag vessels.	

All Turkish ships shall fly the Turkish flag. A ship shall be regarded as Turkish only if its owner (or owners) is/are Turkish. However, the following ships shall also be considered as Turkish: i) Ships which belong to legal persons such as bodies, institutions, associations and foundations set up in accordance with Turkish Law, the majority of whose Board of Directors are of Turkish nationality. ii) Ships which belong to the trading companies the majority of whose managerial staff and representatives are of Turkish nationality and are registered on the Turkish Trade Register.

Mo	des of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad	3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
	Sector or Sub-sector	<b>Limitations on Market Access</b>		Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
				Charges taken for port services from foreign and Turkish ships may differ in favour of Turkish flag vessels according to the tariffs on port charges which are determined by the port administrations.	
		2) None	2)	None	
		3) Holls In order to fly the Turkish flag, the shipping companies must have the majority of 51 per cent Turkish shareholders.	3)	None	
		4) Captain and crew of the Turkish flag vessels should be Turkish residents citizens.	4)	None-Turkish nationality is required for captain and crew.	
(c)	Rental of vessels with crew (CPC 7213)	1) None	1)	Vessels rented by foreigners may not operate inside the Turkish coastal waters.	
		2) None	2)	This kind of vessels are considered as foreign vessels and can not fly the Turkish flag.  This kind of vessels are considered as foreign vessels and do not have to fly the Turkish flag None	
		3) None	3)	None	
		4) None	4)	None	
d)	Maintenance and repair of vessels (CPC 8868)	1) None Unbound 2) None 3) None 4) <sup>1719</sup> None	1) 2) 3) 4)	None None None None	

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Turkish Trade Register.

17 19 Foreign engineers may engage in these services after becoming a temporary member of the related professional chamber under the Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects.

Mod	des of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad	3) Commercial presence 4	4) Presence of natural persons
	Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access		Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
C.	Air Transport Services				
(a)	Selling of air transport services	Foreign airline companies may sell their tickets by opening sales offices in Turkey.	1)		
		2) None	2)	None	
		3) None	3)	None	
		4) None	4)	None	
(b)	Computer reservation systems	1) None 2) None	1) 2)	None None	
		3) None	3)	None	
		4) None	4)	None	
(c)	Maintenance and repair of aircraft (CPC 8868)	<ol> <li>None</li> <li>None</li> <li>Authorization from the Ministry of Transport is necessary to perform functions for the</li> </ol>	1) 2) 3)	None None None	
		maintenance and repair of aircraft.  4) <sup>#820</sup> None	4)	None	
E.	Rail Transport Services (CPC 7111, 7112)	<ol> <li>Internal rail transportation is a public monopoly.</li> <li>None</li> <li>Internal rail transportation is a public monopoly.</li> <li>None</li> </ol>	1) 2) 3) 4)	None None None	

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Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or Sub-sector	Limitations on Market Access	<b>Limitations on National Treatment</b>	<b>Additional Commitments</b>
F. Road Transport Services			
(a) Passenger transportation	1) Unbound	1) Unbound	
(CPC 7121 + 7122)	2) None	2) None	
(b) Freight transportation (CPC 7123)	3) Turkish citizenship or being a legal entity established under the relevant Turkish laws are required for obtaining a carrier licence given by the Ministry of Transport in order to become an international transporter.	3) None	
	4) None	4) None	

## **REFERENCE PAPER**

#### **SCOPE**

The following are definitions and principles on the regulatory framework for the basic telecommunications services.

# **Definitions**

<u>Users</u> mean service consumers and service suppliers.

<u>Essential facilities</u> mean facilities of a public telecommunications transport network or service that:

- (a) are exclusively or predominantly provided by a single or limited number of suppliers; and
- (b) cannot feasibly be economically or technically substituted in order to provide a service.

<u>A major supplier</u> is a supplier, which has the ability to materially affect the terms of participation (having regard to price and supply) in the relevant market for basic telecommunications services as a result of:

- (a) control over essential facilities; or
- (b) use of its position in the market.

## 1. <u>Competitive safeguards</u>

# 1.1 Prevention of anti-competitive practices in telecommunications

Appropriate measures shall be maintained for the purpose of preventing suppliers who, alone or together, are a major supplier from engaging in or continuing anti-competitive practices.

#### 1.2 <u>Safeguards</u>

The anti-competitive practices referred to above shall include in particular:

- (a) engaging in anti-competitive cross-subsidization;
- (b) using information obtained from competitors with anti-competitive results; and
- (c) not making available to other services suppliers on a timely basis technical information about essential facilities and commercially relevant information which are necessary for them to provide services.

#### 2. <u>Interconnection</u>

2.1 This section applies to linking with suppliers providing public telecommunications transport networks or services in order to allow the users of one supplier to communicate with

users of another supplier and to access services provided by another supplier, where specific commitments are undertaken.

#### 2.2 Interconnection to be ensured

Interconnection with a major supplier will be ensured at any technically feasible point in the network. Such interconnection is provided:

- (a) under non-discriminatory terms, conditions (including technical standards and specifications) and rates and of a quality no less favourable than that provided for its own like services or for like services of non-affiliated service suppliers or for its subsidiaries or other affiliates;
- (b) in a timely fashion, on terms, conditions (including technical standards and specifications) and cost-oriented rates that are transparent, reasonable, having regard to economic feasibility, and sufficiently unbundled so that the supplier need not pay for network components or facilities that it does not require for the service to be provided; and
- (c) upon request, at points in addition to the network termination points offered to the majority of users, subject to charges that reflect the cost of construction of necessary additional facilities.

#### 2.3 Public availability of the procedures for interconnection negotiations

The procedures applicable for interconnection to a major supplier will be made publicly available.

## 2.4 Transparency of interconnection arrangements

It is ensured that a major supplier will make publicly available either its interconnection agreements or a reference interconnection offer.

#### 2.5 Interconnection: dispute settlement

A service supplier requesting interconnection with a major supplier will have recourse, either:

- (a) at any time or
- (b) after a reasonable period of time which has been made publicly known

to an independent domestic body, which may be a regulatory body as referred to in paragraph 5 below, to resolve disputes regarding appropriate terms, conditions and rates for interconnection within a reasonable period of time, to the extent that these have not been established previously.

# 3. Universal service

Any Member has the right to define the kind of universal service obligation it wishes to maintain. Such obligations will not be regarded as anti-competitive *per se*, provided they are administered in a transparent, non-discriminatory and competitively neutral manner and are not more burdensome than necessary for the kind of universal service defined by the Member.

# 4. <u>Public availability of licensing criteria</u>

Where a license is required, the following will be made publicly available:

- (a) all the licensing criteria and the period of time normally required to reach a decision concerning an application for a license; and
- (b) the terms and conditions of individual licenses.

The reasons for the denial of a license will be made known to the applicant upon request.

# 5. Independent regulators

The regulatory body is separate from, and not accountable to, any supplier of basic telecommunications services. The decisions of and the procedures used by regulators shall be impartial with respect to all market participants.

# 6. Allocation and use of scarce resources

Any procedures for the allocation and use of scarce resources, including frequencies, numbers and rights of way, will be carried out in an objective, timely, transparent and non-discriminatory manner. The current state of allocated frequency bands will be made publicly available, but detailed identification of frequencies allocated for specific government uses is not required.

# TURKEY – FINAL LIST OF ARTICLE II (MFN) EXEMPTIONS

Sector or Sub sector	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	<ul> <li>(a) Extending full national treatment for the investments of the nationals or companies of these countries.</li> <li>(b)(i)Executing the transfers, in specific periods, of the nationals and companies of certain countries which made investments in Turkey (Belgium-Luxembourg, Kuwait).</li> <li>(ii) Granting foreign exchange risk guarantee for certain countries for the transfers which are not realized due to the difficulties in balance of payments.</li> <li>(c) Covering "trade risk" in subrogation one country. (Japan).</li> </ul>	Germany, USA, The Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Romania, Bangladesh, Austria, Switzerland, Denmark, Japan, Kuwait, Tunisia, South Korea, Poland, China, United Kingdom, Finland, Hungary, Argentina, Albania, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Georgia, Jordan, Malaysia, Spain, Italy, Norway, Algeria, Russian Federation, Mongolia, Lithuania, France, Sweden, Bulgaria, Moldova, Estonia, Latvia, Azerbaijan, Israel, Ukraine.	Indefinite	Desire to create favourable conditions for a greater economic cooperation between Turkey and mentioned countries and to encourage investments by nationals and companies of one country in the territory of the other countries.

Sector or Sub sector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
	(d) The agreements with five countries, the MFN Articles of which do not include the derogation paragraphs relating to the privileges which are accorded to the investors of the third countries resulting from its membership in or associated with a free trade zone, an economic cooperation, a customs union or a common market. (Japan, Bangladesh, Poland, Germany, South Korea).			
ALL SECTORS	The restriction in the transfer of the premiums for long-term insurance schemes and the employment of the foreign country workers by foreign companies is waived for one country. (Not applied de facto).	Libya	Indefinite	To ensure social security and continuous employment of Turkish workers in the mentioned country.
ALL SECTORS	If the amount of the consulate duties collected from the Turkish nationals by any country is higher than the amounts written in the tariff list, the amounts of consulate duties which are collected from the nationals of that country will be increased reciprocally.	All countries	Indefinite	Desire to ensure equal treatment to Turkish nationals.

Sector or Sub sector	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	On the condition that the legal provisions are reserved and with the condition of reciprocity, the foreign real persons could own real estates in Turkey by acquisition or by inheritance.	All countries	Indefinite	To secure the right of Turkish nationals to acquire real estates in a foreign country.
Professional Services	If any foreign country lays down legal and administrative conditions against Turkish citizens for performing arts and supplying services, the similar activities of the citizens of that country could be prohibited in Turkey.	All countries	Indefinite	Desire to create favourable circumstances for Turkish citizens to perform their activities under equal conditions in the other countries.
Telecommunication Services	To apply, on the basis of reciprocity, reduction in the fees for the transit land connections and the usage of satellite ground stations.	<del>Iran, Syria.</del>	<del>Indefinite</del>	Desire to facilitate telecommunication services between Turkey and the mentioned countries.

Sector or Sub sector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
Postal Services	To apply, on the basis of reciprocity, reduction in the prices of letter mail.	Iraq, Greece, Iran and Pakistan.	<del>Indefinite</del>	Desire to carry out postal services more rapidly and economically.
Transportation Services <sup>1</sup>	The income and corporate tax rates for the foreign road, maritime and air transport companies, can reciprocally be decreased down to zero or increased to a new rate not exceeding one fold of the existing rate can be determined, as a country by country basis either for each transportation type separately or for all types of them. (As in the case of USA, Israel and Switzerland).	All countries	Indefinite	Desire to facilitate and to lower the costs of transportation services between Turkey and other countries.
Transportation Services <sup>‡</sup>	Transit or bilateral transportation services, can be excluded from VAT. This exception is granted, with the condition of reciprocity, to the related countries' tax payers who do not have the residence, legal and business centre in Turkey.	All countries	Indefinite	Desire to lower costs and to create favourable conditions for the provision of services in this sector.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This exemption request will be evaluated in the light of developments in the GATS in the field of taxation

Sector or Sub sector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
Transportation Services	To apply, on the basis of reciprocity, restrictions, prohibitions, different treatments and different tariffs to the goods and transportation vehicles of the countries which apply restrictions, prohibitions and different treatments to the Turkish road, air and maritime transportation vehicles.	All countries	Indefinite	Desire to secure the smooth functioning of mutual transportation services.
Road Transport Services <sup>2</sup>	To grant, on the basis of reciprocity, the privileges about the quotas and fees, the exemptions from the permission procedures.	Afghanistan, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Former Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Germany, Finland, France, The Netherlands, Iraq, United Kingdom, Iran, Sweden, Switzerland, Italy, Kuwait, Hungary, Norway, Poland, Romania, Former Yugoslavia, Greece, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Luxembourg, Albania, Ukraine, Slovenia, Moldova, Egypt, Lithuania, Macedonia, Lebanon.	Indefinite	Desire to facilitate road transport services between Turkey and other countries.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If the partners of these Road Transport Agreements agree to remove the measures, Turkey will also do so

Sector or Sub sector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
Rail Transport Services	The bilateral reduction in the renting fees of railway wagons of countries mentioned aside (paragraph a) and the application of national treatment to tariff rates on the reciprocal transportation of goods with the countries mentioned aside (paragraph b).	<ul> <li>a) Syria, Iraq, Iran, Lebanon</li> <li>b) Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic Republics.</li> </ul>	Indefinite	Desire to facilitate rail transport services between Turkey and other countries.
Financial Services	Should national banks wishing to operate by	All countries	<del>Indefinite</del>	Desire to ensure equal treatment to Turkish banks in the other
- Banking	establishing branches in the countries whose banks have already established or will establish branches in Turkey, are forced to meet stricter conditions which they will be subject to under the legislation of those countries, or which are to be made stricter afterwards, than those imposed in the Turkish Banks Act, foreign banks' compliance with the same conditions and the annulment of the permissions of those failing to comply with such conditions may be required by Council of Ministers' decision.			countries.

Sector or Sub sector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
Accounting, Auditing and Book- keeping Services	In order to perform the services under the title of "financial advisor", the citizens of the countries which have officially codified the principles for the profession of financial advisory may be authorized, under reciprocal conditions, provided that these persons should have the characteristics required for the professional of financial advisory in Turkey and should have rights to perform similar services in their own countries.	All countries	Indefinite	Desire to create favourable conditions for Turkish financia advisors to perform their jobs under equal conditions all over the world.
Telecommunication Services	Measures, including the application of different accounting rates for different operators/countries covered by International Telecommunication Services Agreements between Government of Turkey or Telecommunication Company and other Governments or various foreign operators.	Neighbouring countries and/or countries covered by Economic Cooperation Organization and Black Sea Economic Cooperation.	<del>Indefinite</del>	Bilateral agreements between Government of Turkey or Telecommunication Company and other governments and/or various foreign operators dealing with various aspects of cooperation.