

PROTOCOL TO IMPLEMENT THE FOURTH PACKAGE OF COMMITMENTS ON AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES UNDER THE ASEAN FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON SERVICES

The Governments of Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, the Union of Myanmar, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, Member States of the Association of South East Asian Nations (hereinafter referred to as "ASEAN");

NOTING the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services signed on 15 December 1995 in Bangkok, Thailand, which seeks to enhance cooperation in services amongst Member States, eliminate substantially restrictions to trade in services amongst Member States and liberalise trade in services by expanding the depth and scope of liberalisation beyond those undertaken by Member States under the General Agreement on Trade in Services (hereinafter referred to as "GATS") of the World Trade Organisation (hereinafter referred to as "WTO");

HAVING carried out two rounds of negotiations and concluded three sets of commitments embodied in the Protocol to Implement the Initial Package of Commitments under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services signed on 15 December 1997 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, the Protocol to Implement the Second Package of Commitments under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services signed on 16 December 1998 in Ha Noi, Viet Nam, and the Protocol to Implement the Third Package of Commitments under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services signed on 31 December 2001;

RECALLING that the Thirty-Third ASEAN Economic Ministers Meeting launched the third round of negotiations beginning 2002 and ending 2004, which covers all services sectors and all modes of supply;

HAVING carried out subsequent negotiations pursuant to Article IV of the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services and finalised the fourth package of commitments on air transport services;

DESIRING to set out in a schedule, the specific commitments that each Member State shall undertake, for which Member States shall accord preferential treatment to one another on a Most-Favoured Nations basis:

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Member States who are WTO Members shall continue to extend their specific commitments under GATS to ASEAN Member States who are non-WTO Members.
- 2. Member States shall extend to all other Member States preferential treatment in air transport services as set forth in the Schedules of Specific Commitments annexed to this Protocol.
- 3. The Annex to this Protocol is the Schedules of Specific Commitments.
- 4. This Protocol and its Annexes shall form an integral part of the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services.
- 5. This Protocol shall enter into force upon the deposit of instruments of ratification or acceptance by all signatory governments with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, which shall be done not later than 31 March 2005.
- 6. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of ASEAN who shall promptly furnish a certified copy thereof to each Member State. The Secretary-General of ASEAN shall also promptly furnish notifications of ratifications or acceptances made pursuant to paragraph 5 to each Member State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the Protocol to Implement the Fourth Package of Commitments on Air Transport Services under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services.

DONE at Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on the Twenty-third day of November in the year Two Thousand and Four, in a single copy in the English language.

CAMBODIA - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

Modes of supply: 1)	Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abr	oad 3) Commercial presence 4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or sub sector	Limitations on market access	Limitations on national treatment	Additional commitments
AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES			
	(1) None	(1) None	
Aircraft leasing without crew	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None other than that indicated in the horizontal section	(3) As indicated in the horizontal section	
	(4) As indicated in the horizontal section	(4) As indicated in the horizontal section	

MYANMAR - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

3) Commercial presence Modes of supply: Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad 4) Presence of natural persons Limitations on national treatment Limitations on market access Additional commitments Sector or sub sector **AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES** (1) None (1) None Aircraft repair and maintenance (2) None (2) None services (3) (a) Commercial presence of foreign (3) (a) The Income Tax Law (1974) service suppliers and/or providers prescribes that non-residents (foreigis permitted in accordance with the ners) are subject to a withholding tax Union of Myanmar Foreign Investas follows: ment Law (1988) and the Myanmar Companies Act (1914). Class of Income Non-resident Foreigners (b) 100% foreign investment or 15% - Interest joint venture with a Myanmar citizen or enterprise with a Royalties for use of licences, 20% trademarks, patent rights, etc. minimum of 35% equity is permitted under the Union of Myanmar Foreign Investment Law Payments to contractors made 3.5% (1988). Minimum foreign capital is by government organizations, municipalities, and co-operative USD 300,000 for services. Form of incorporation may be sole societies proprietorship, partnership or limited company. - Payments for work done to 3% foreign contractors (c) Incorporation of an enterprise not involving a State enterprise is (b) Foreign organizations and persons are not allowed to own land in to be made under the Myanmar Companies Act (1914). Minimum Myanmar. However, land may be share capital (in cash) requirement acquired on long term lease, depenfor services companies and ding on individual circumstances.

branches is equivalent of Kyat 300.000 in USD at current official

rate.

- (d) If the investment involves a State enterprise, incorporation shall be made under the Special Companies Act (1950) and the Myanmar Companies Act (1914).
- (4) (a) Subject to the provisions of the Union of Myanmar Foreign Investment Law, Myanmar Labour Laws and Immigration Laws, management, professional and technical experts are allowed to stay up to one year and may be extendable thereon.
 - (b) Only management level is allowed in Myanmar.

- (a) Any expatriate engaged in joint ventures, representatives offices or other types of judicial persons and/or individual services provider shall receive the approval of the respective authorities.
- (b) Any expatriate entering into Myanmar shall abide by the immigrations rules and procedures of Myanmar.
- (c) Any expatriate in Myanmar shall abide by the laws, rules and regulations of Myanmar and they shall not interfere in the internal affairs of the country.
- (d) Individual service providers who work with the approval of respective authorities shall register themselves with the Department of Labour.

Sector or sub sector **AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES**

Selling and marketing of air transport services

Limitations on market access

- (1) None
- (2) None
- 3. (a) Commercial presence of foreign service suppliers and/or providers is permitted in accordance with the Union of Myanmar Foreign Investment Law (1988) and the Myanmar Companies Act (1914).
 - (b) 100% foreign investment or Interest joint venture with a Myanmar citizen or enterprise with a minimum of 35% equity is permitted under the Union of Myanmar Foreign Investment Law (1988). Minimum foreign capital is USD 300,000 for services. Form of incorporation may be sole proprietorship, partnership or limited company.
 - (c) Incorporation of an enterprise not involving a State enterprise is to be made under the Myanmar Companies Act (1914). Minimum share capital (in cash) requirement for services companies branches is equivalent of Kyat 300,000 in USD at current official rate.
- (d) If the investment involves a State enterprise, incorporation shall be

Limitations on national treatment

Additional commitments

- (1) None
- (2) None
- (3) (a) The Income Tax Law (1974) prescribes that non-residents (foreigners) are subject to a withholding tax as follows:

Class of Income Non-resident Foreigners 15%

- Royalties for use of licences, 20% trademarks, patent rights, etc.
- Payments to contractors made 3.5% by government organizations, municipalities, and co-operative societies
- 3% - Payments for work done to foreign contractors
 - (b) Foreign organizations and persons are not allowed to own land in Myanmar. However, land may be acquired on long term lease, depending on individual circumstances.

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- 4. (a) Subject to the provisions of the Union of Myanmar Foreign Investment Law, Myanmar Labour Laws and Immigration Laws, management, professional and technical experts are allowed to stay up to one year and may be extendable thereon.
 - (b) Only management level is allowed in Myanmar.
- (a) Any expatriate engaged in joint ventures, representatives offices or other types of judicial persons and/or individual services provider shall receive the approval of the respective authorities.
- (b) Any expatriate entering into Myanmar shall abide by the immigrations rules and procedures of Myanmar.
- (c) Any expatriate in Myanmar shall abide by the laws, rules and regulations of Myanmar and they shall not interfere in the internal affairs of the country.
- (d) Individual service providers who work with the approval of respective authorities shall register themselves with the Department of Labour.

Sector or sub sector AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES	Limitations on market access	Limitations on national treatment	Additional commitments
Computer reservation system services	(1) None, except that service provided must use public telecommunication networks under national telecommunication authorities in accordance with prescribed rules and regulations.	ion n-	
	(2) Subject to commercial arrangements with licensed operator(s)	(2) None	
	(3) Unbound	(3) Unbound	
	(4) Unbound	(4) Unbound	

SINGAPORE - 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 secto	r	Limitations o	n m	arket access	Limita	tions on national treatm	ent	Additional commitments
AIR TRANSPORT SERVIC	ES							
	(1) None		(1) None				
Aircraft leasing without crew	I	(2) None		(2) None			
		(3) None		(3) None			
		(4) Unbound		(4)) Unboui	nd		

THAILAND - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

Modes of supply:	1)	Cross-border supply	2)	Consumption a	broad	3)	Commercial presence	4)	Presence of natural persons
Sector or sub sector	,	Limitations on	n ma	rket access		Limitat	ions on national treatm	ent	Additional commitments
AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE	S								
Aircraft leasing without crew		(1) None			(1	None			
All craft leasing without crew	(2) None		(2	None					
		(3) None other than horizontal section		t indicated in th	ne (3) None			
		(4) As indicated in the	he ho	orizontal section	(4	Unbou	ind		

VIETNAM - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

Modes of supply: 1) Cre	oss-border supply 2) Consumption abro	ad 3) Commercial presence 4) Pres	sence of natural persons
Sector or sub sector	Limitations on market access	Limitations on national treatment	Additional commitments
AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES			
Aircraft repair and maintenance services	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) Joint-ventures	(3) As indicated in the horizontal section	
	(4) As indicated in the horizontal section	(4) As indicated in the horizontal section	
Sector or sub sector AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES	Limitations on market access	Limitations on national treatment	Additional commitments
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	Limitations on market access (1) None	Limitations on national treatment (1) None	Additional commitments
AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES Selling and marketing of air			Additional commitments
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Sector or sub sector AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES	Limitations on market access	Limitations on national treatment	Additional commitments	
Computer reservation system services (CRS)	(1) None(2) None(3) None(4) As indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None(2) None(3) As indicated in the horizontal section(4) As indicated in the horizontal section		
Sector or sub sector AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES	Limitations on market access	Limitations on national treatment	Additional commitments	
Aircraft leasing without crew	(1) None(2) None(3) None(4) As indicated in the horizontal section	(1) None(2) None(3) As indicated in the horizontal section(4) As indicated in the horizontal section		