

**GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TRADE IN SERVICES**

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DOMINICA

Schedule of Specific Commitments

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DOMINICA - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

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I. HORIZONTAL COMMITMENTS			
ALL SECTORS INCLUDED IN THIS SCHEDULE	<p>3)Commercial presence requires that foreign service providers incorporate or establish the business locally in accordance with the relevant provision of the Laws of Dominica, and where so required, be subject to relevant Acts pertaining to property acquisition, lease and rental, and any operating condition that may be the subject of existing laws and regulations. Some of these are as follows:</p> <p>i)<u>Withholding Tax</u>. Foreign investors and non-resident earners of income are subject to the Withholding Tax Provisions of the Income Tax Act.</p> <p>ii)<u>Aliens Landholding</u>. The Alien Landholding Act requires foreign companies and individuals wishing to hold property in Dominica to first obtain a licence in order to do so, within which conditions of purchase</p>		

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DOMINICA (continued)

	<p>iii)Dominica reserves a number of small business service opportunities for nationals. The room limitation on Hotel Developments is within the context of this policy. In such circumstances when foreign service providers are permitted to operate, an economic needs test may be required.</p> <p>4)The entry of all foreign natural persons to Dominica and their residence in Dominica is regulated by immigration laws.</p> <p>The employment of foreign natural persons is subject to Work Permit regulations and labour laws. Issue of permits is normally confined to people with managerial and technical skills which are in short supply or not available in Dominica.</p> <p>Professionals in certain disciplines may be required to register with the appropriate professional or governmental body.</p>		
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