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THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY
AND ITS MEMBER STATES

Schedule of Specific Commitments

Supplement 1

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EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND ITS MEMBER STATES - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

Modes of supply: (1) Cross-border supply	(2) Consumption abroad	(3) Commercial presence	(4) Presence of natural persons
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<p>FINANCIAL SERVICES SECTOR¹</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Community and its Member States undertake commitments on Financial Services in accordance with the provisions of the "Understanding on Commitments in Financial Services" (the Understanding). 2. These commitments are subject to the limitations on market access and national treatment in the "all sectors" section of this schedule and to those relating to the subsectors listed below. 3. The market access commitments in respect of modes (1) and (2) apply only to the transactions indicated in paragraphs B.3 and B.4 of the market access section of the Understanding respectively. 4. Notwithstanding note 1. above, the market access and national treatment commitments in respect of mode (4) on financial services are those in the "all sectors" section of this schedule, except for Sweden in which case commitments are made in accordance with the Understanding. 5. The admission to the market of new financial services or products may be subject to the existence of, and consistency with, a regulatory framework aimed at achieving the objectives indicated in Article 2(a) of the Financial Services Annex. 6. As a general rule and in a non-discriminatory manner, financial institutions incorporated in a Member State of the Community must adopt a specific legal form. 			
<p>A. <u>Insurance and Insurance-Related Services</u></p>	<p>DK: Compulsory air transport insurance can be provided in the Community.</p>	<p>branch not established in Austria. Exception</p>	

¹Unlike foreign subsidiaries, branches established directly in a Member State by a non-Community financial institution are not, with certain limited exceptions, subject to prudential regulations harmonized at Community level which enable such subsidiaries to benefit from enhanced facilities to set up new establishments and to provide cross-border services throughout the Community. Therefore, such branches receive an authorization to operate in the territory of a Member State under conditions equivalent to those applied to domestic financial institutions of that Member State, and may be required to satisfy a number of specific prudential requirements such as, in the case of banking and securities, separate capitalization and other solvency requirements and reporting and publication of accounts requirements or, in the case of insurance, specific guarantee and deposit requirements, a separate capitalization, and the localization in the Member State concerned of the assets representing the technical reserves and at least one third of the solvency margin. Member States may apply the restrictions indicated in this schedule only with regard to the direct establishment from a third country of a commercial presence or to the provision of cross-border services from a third country; consequently, a Member State may not apply these restrictions, including those concerning establishment, to third-country subsidiaries established in other Member States of the Community, unless these restrictions can also be applied to companies or nationals of other Member States in conformity with Community law.

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	<p>onclude insurance contracts in Germany relating gh the branch established in Germany.</p>		
	<p>rance firms established in the Community.</p> <p>itten only by insurance firms established in the</p> <p>nce regarding risks located in Italy may be panies established in the Community. This national transport involving imports into Italy.</p>		
	<p>ons in Finland.</p> <p>usiness in Finland.</p> <p>y can be underwritten only by firms established in established in the EC may act as intermediaries gal.</p>		

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	<p>supplier authorised in Sweden, provided that the Swedish insurance company belong to the same element of cooperation between them.</p>		
	<p>DK: Compulsory air transport insurance can be effected in the Community.</p> <p>Insurance effected in the Community or of a branch not established in the Community (insurance and retrocession) are prohibited.</p> <p>Insurance effected by independent insurers.</p> <p>Insurance effected for purposes in Denmark assist in effecting direct insurance in Denmark, for Danish ships or for property in Denmark (insurance companies licensed by Danish law or by Danish law or by Danish law established in the Community or by a branch established in the Community).</p>	<p>A: Higher premium tax is due for insurance effected by a subsidiary not established in the Community or by a branch established in the Community.</p>	
	<p>Insurance contracts in Germany relating to risks located in Germany through the branch established in Germany.</p> <p>Insurance effected by insurance firms established in the Community.</p> <p>Insurance effected for compulsory accident insurance, the motor third-party liability (insurance against treatment injury) have to be effected in Germany.</p> <p>Insurance effected in Germany only by insurance firms established in the Community.</p> <p>Insurance effected regarding risks located in Italy may be effected in Italy.</p>		

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	A: Representative offices and agencies of insurance contracts. ffices or other permanent presence of insurance es are established as agencies, branches or head ces. surance, a foreign insurer must have been asses of insurance in its country of origin for at	FIN: The general agent of the foreign remium income from direct insurance	
	exemption may be granted in some cases, apply Auditors and Members of the Board of Directors insurance company. carry on statutory insurances business (the rance, the statutory accident insurance, the motor surance against treatment injury). representative of the branch. In the case of Spain, to the technical qualification and good standing of		
	ns (no incorporation) among natural persons		

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	<p>ation of supervisory authorities.</p> <p>gh a company formed in accordance with the law</p> <p>prior operational experience of at least five years.</p>		
	<p>ercial presence only through a branch.</p>		
	<p>Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal tions:</p> <p>Greece shall be nationals of one of the Member</p>	<p>Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal</p> <p>ster of Business and Industry may grant</p> <p>ment. Exemption is granted on a non-</p>	
<p><u>B. Banking and Other Financial Services</u> (excluding insurance)</p>	<p>B: Establishment in Belgium is required for the es.</p> <p>gh telecommunication or other information s, the volume of transactions, the offer and iation of securities dealt in the Italian regulated requires prior authorization by the Stock authorization may not be granted if the auth- the data provided may induce the public to error.</p>	<p>(1) None</p>	

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	subsidiary or branch) is needed in order to relating to securities (dealing, issue, under- es custody and services regarding mergers,		
	ective asset management (excluding UCITS) is s, securities investment companies with their legal		
	D: Issues of securities denominated in y by a credit institution, subsidiary or branch, involving the administration of interest and ued in Greece.	S: Account operating institutions in the VPC ke a certain deposit.	
	subsidiary or branch) is needed in order to relating to securities (dealing, issue, under- es custody and services regarding mergers, anagement buy-outs and venture capital. g UCITS) is extended to banks, insurance anies with their legal head office in the EC.		
	e Finnish Postal Giro System or through the		
	ortuguese Government funds. The ability of llowing operation abroad is restricted:		

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	<p>issue on a foreign market of domestic securities</p> <p>Securities Register Centre only be supplied by suppliers who are account that the supplier is supervised by the (Swedish)</p>		
	<p>m established in the Community.</p>		
	<p>(3) <u>All Member States:</u></p> <p>The establishment of a specialized management ivities of management of unit trusts and 3 of UCITS Directive, 85/611/EEC).</p> <p>Only firms having their registered office in the he assets of investment funds (Articles 8.1 and EC).</p> <p>mic interest test.</p> <p>t the Stock Exchange.</p>	<p>ized, based on sufficient means and ditions apply to lead banks running the books. A -lead manager of Eurofranc bond issue.</p>	
	<p>n National Bank is required.</p> <p>horized for this activity.</p> <p>y for this activity and incorporated as a stock</p>		

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	<p>official stock exchange or in the government securities firms incorporated in Spain.</p> <p>oting rights of a major Finnish commercial bank 1000 employees or with a turnover exceeding h a balance sheet total exceeding 1000 million mation by the Finnish authorities; the an important national interest would be</p>		
	<p>and place of residence, from which exemptions r, the Supervisory Board and the Board of eneral Manager and auditors.</p> <p>) requires a permanent place of business in the a deposit bank, other credit institution or a al institution.</p> <p>ard of Directors and Managing Director of a Stock s to a Stock Exchange Broker.</p> <p>rivative exchange, from which exemptions may</p>		
	<p>n the Finnish Postal Giro System or through the</p> <p>hens Stock Exchange only through stock ece.</p>		
	<p>gn exchange must be imported, converted into g as a foreign bank continues to operate in</p>		

	<p>Up to four (4) branches this minimum is um amount of share capital required for a credit eece;</p> <p>For the operation of additional branches the e equal to the minimum share capital required for d in Greece.</p>		
	<p>ple capital companies, and investment limited gs for collective investment in transferable sitary or management company is required to be r Member State of the Community. In the case of t least one general partner must be incorporated</p> <p>e offices of foreign banks.</p> <p>l for firms other than banks (including foreign services related to securities dealing (including</p>		
	<p>s, acceptance of sale and purchase orders, o management, and raising funds from the public o be promotional³ and carried on in a place differ- cipal administrative establishment of the issuer, estment).</p>		

²From 1 January 1993 foreign as well as domestic banks may not provide securities dealing for its own account or for the account of customers; however, banks, including branches of foreign banks, are allowed to deal in Treasury bonds and State-backed securities.

³Door-to-door selling.

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	<p>g system.</p> <p>ther than shares, debt securities (including con- hade by Italian elonging to local authorities</p>		
	<p>s can be provided only by the Bank of Italy, or by es of a participating nature and other bonds traded</p> <p>ember State may become members of the</p>		
	<p>ent and broker-dealer services (excluding those nge) may be provided by credit-institutions or Community (if authorized in their country of</p> <p>d management and broker-dealer services on the anies incorporated in Portugal.</p>		

	<p>required to be incorporated in the United Kingdom;</p> <p>gilt edged market makers (or GEMMs), which are authorized to trade in government debt and through which the Government implements its debt management policy;</p>		
	<p>discount houses which are primary dealers for government securities, and through which the Government implements its monetary policy;</p> <p>stock exchange money brokers (SEMBs), which are authorized to trade in stocks and lenders of gilt-edged stock; and</p> <p>inter-dealer brokers (IDBs), which act as</p>		
	<p>only through a branch, and in case of banks, also</p>		
	<p>Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal conditions:</p>	<p>Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal</p>	
	<p>of the Board of Directors, the Directors-General and the Supervisors, and also, when the securities firm has the members of such board or its Director-General, the members of the supervisory council.</p> <p>the operations of the institution. Condition of</p>		