TiSA – bilateral market access request by the European Union

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SWITZERLAND

The European Union would like Switzerland to update its TiSA offer with a view to the following requests.

Request nº1: Horizontal

- Please clarify Section A Reservations:
 - Please spell out in Section A directly in which subsectors and in which mode section A reservations apply
 - Please clarify scope of Section A reservations instead of referring to GATS level
- Please remove Section A reservation for measures at cantonal and municipal level, at least bind existing levels and make them subject to ratchet.
- Please clarify Section A reservation regarding "measures subject to review at higher level ..."

Request n°2: Mode 4

- Please take commitments on IPs
- Please explain the measures fixing overall numbers of work permits allocated.

Request n°3: Postal and Courier

- Please explain definition of express delivery and reserved area.
- Please improve commitments for postal services (7511) at least in Mode 3.

Request n°4: Construction

- Cross-border: please take full commitment for consulting services in all subsectors.
- Mode 3: Please improve commitments in CPC 513 and CPC 514 (take commitments for remaining part of the sector).

Request n°5: Distribution

- Please explain which goods are covered by the import authorisation (mentioned under all sectors).
- Please explain the criteria applied for the authorisation for large-scale distribution facilities (CPC 622 and part of CPC 631 + part of 632 + part of 6111 + part of 6113 + part of 6121).
- Please explain to whom commercial presence in Switzerland applies.

Request n°6: Environmental services

Cross-border: please take commitments for consultancy services at least.

Request n°7: Financial services

- In areas where cross-border commitments have been taken, non-resident financial services providers should be allowed to solicit business.
- Please schedule NT reservations in mode 1 in accordance with agreed scheduling guidelines.
- Please clarify the NT reservation in banking on M3 (referring to regulation in home country).
- Please clarify the scope of the monopolies mortgage bond issuance institute.

Request n°8: Transport

Air transport

- Cross-border: please take full commitments on the traditional 3 categories of auxiliary air transport (maintenance, selling and marketing, CRS).
- Mode 3: please take full commitments on the traditional 3 categories auxiliary air transport: maintenance, selling and marketing, CRS plus some commitments in mode 3 at least for ground-handling and airport operations.

Request n°9: Energy- and mining related services

With respect to energy and mining related services (as set out in Article III of the respective Annex), please commit the following services which are not covered by the requests set out above:

- Mode 3: services incidental to mining (CPC 883, 5115)
- Modes 1 and 3: consultancy for services incidental to energy distribution (CPC 887).

Request n°10: Computer and Related Services

Please refer in the schedule to the CRS understanding.