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<u>Transitional Review Mechanism under Section 18 of the Protocol on</u> <u>the Accession of the People's Republic of China</u>

Information required by Annex 1A

The following communication, dated 1 December 2008, from the delegation of the People's Republic of China is being circulated to the Members of the Council for Trade in Services.

# COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN SERVICES: TRANSITIONAL REVIEW UNDER ARTICLE 18 OF THE PROTOCOL OF ACCESSION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

#### **Information Required in Annex 1A**

(a) Regularly updated lists of all laws, regulations, administrative guidelines and other measures affecting trade in each service sector or subsector indicating, in each case, the service sector(s) or sub-sector(s) they apply to, the date of publication and the date of entry into force

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
	I. HORIZONTAL COMMITMENTS	
1	All sectors included in the Schedule of Specific Commitments on Services of China	Regulations for the Implementation of the Law of the People's Republic of China on Chinese-Foreign Contractual Joint Venture 1995/09/04
		Law of the People's Republic of China on Sino-Foreign Contractual Joint Venture 2000/10/31
		Law of the People's Republic of China on Foreign Capital Enterprise 2000/10/31
		Law of the People's Republic of China on Chinese-Foreign Equity Joint Venture 2001/3/15
		Regulations for the Implementation of the Law of the People's Republic of China on Foreign-Capital Enterprises 2001/4/12
		Regulations for the Implementation of the Law of the People's Republic of China on Chinese-Foreign Equity Joint Venture 2001/7/22
		Administrative Permission Law of the People's Republic of China 2003/8/27 2004/7/1
		Foreign Trade Law 2004/07/01
		Companies Law of the People's Republic of China 2005/10/27 2006/1/1

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		Real Right Law of People's Republic of China 2007/3/16 2007/10/1
		Regulations of the People's Republic of China on the Disclosure of Government Information 2007/4/5 2008/5/1
		Measures of the People's Republic of China for the Registration of Partnership Enterprises 2007/5/9 2007/6/1
		Anti-monopoly Law of the People's Republic of China 2007/8/30 2008/8/1
		Catalogue for the Guidance of Foreign Investment Industries 2007/10/31 2007/12/1
		Regulations on the Implementation of the Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China 2007/12/6 2008/1/1
		Provisions of the State Council on the Standard for Declaration of Concentration of the Business Operators 2008/8/3 2008/8/3
	II. SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS	
2	BUSINESS SERVICES     A. Professional Services	Regulations on Administration of Foreign Law Firms' Representative Offices in China 2001/12/22 2002/01/01
	a. Legal Services (CPC861 excluding Chinese law practices)	Measures for Administration of Law Firms' Representative Offices of Hong Kong SAR and Macao SAR 2002/3/13 2002/4/1
		Rules on the Implementation of Regulations on Administration of Foreign Law Firms' Representative Offices in China 2002/7/4 2002/9/1
3	b. Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)	Tentative Procedures for the Administration of Sino-foreign Cooperative Accounting Firm 1996/3/28
	c. Taxation services (CPC 8630)	Provisional Rules on Administration of Representative Offices of Foreign Accounting Firm 1996/1/4
		Provisional Rules on the Registration and Supervision of CPA Firms 2005/1/18

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		Rules on the Registration of CPAs 2005/1/22
		The Regulatory Rules on the Qualifications for Accounting Professionals 2005/1/22
		The Regulatory Rules on the Bookkeeping Service 2005/1/22
		Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises: Basic Standards 2006/2/15
4	d. Architectural services (CPC 8671) e. Engineering services (CPC 8672)	Rules Governing the Foreign Invested Engineering Design Enterprises 2002/09/27
	f. Integrated engineering services (CPC 8673) g. Urban planning services (CPC 8674)	Rules governing the Foreign Invested Urban Planning Service Enterprises 2003/05/01
		Measures for the Administration of Construction Engineering Cost Consultancy Enterprises 2006/3/22 2006/07/01
		Administrative Measures for Certified Cost Engineers 2006/12/25 2007/3/1
		Provisions on the Administration of Certified Constructors 2006/12/28 2007/3/1
		The Detailed Rules for the Implementation of the Provisions on the Administration of Foreign-funded Construction Engineering Design Enterprises 2007/1/5 2007/1/5
		Measures for the Qualification Accreditation of the Bidding Agencies of Engineering Construction Projects 2007/1/11 2007/3/1
		Provisions on the Administration of Foreign-invested Construction Engineering Service Enterprises 2007/1/22 2007/3/26
		Administrative Provisions on the Qualifications of Project Supervising Enterprises 2007/6/26 2007/8/01

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		Regulations for Administration of the Qualification of Survey and Design of Construction Project 2007/6/26 2007/9/1
5	h. Medical and dental services (CPC 9312)	Interim Measures on Administration of Foreign Physicians' Short-Term Practising in China 1992/10/7 1993/1/1
		Interim Measures for Administration of Sino-Foreign Joint Venture and Cooperative Medical Institutions 2000/5/15 2000/7/1
		Supplementary Provisions to Interim Measures for Administration of Sino-Foreign Joint Venture and Cooperative Medical Institutions 2007/12/30 20081/1
6	B. Computer and Related Services	Circular on Pre-installation of Legal-copy Operating Systems on Computers 2006/3/30 2006/3/30
7	D. Real Estate Services	Administrative Measures for Real Estate Evaluation Enterprises 2005/10/12  Regulation on Property Management 2007/8/26 2007/10/1  Administrative Measures for the Qualification of Property Management Enterprises
		2007/11/26 2007/11/26
8	F. Other Business Services  a. Advertising Services (CPC 871)	Regulations on Administration of Foreign-funded Advertising Enterprises 2004/3/2
9	c. Management Consulting services (CPC 865)	Laws, regulations and administrative measures listed in the Horizontal Commitment part are followed
10	e. Technical testing and analysis services (CPC 8676) and freight inspection covered by CPC 749, excluding statutory inspection services for freight inspection services	Rules of Administration on the Import and Export Commodity Inspection and Accreditation Institutions 2004/03/01  Administrative Measures for Certification of Consultation Bodies 2005/9/29 2005/11/1

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		Administrative Measures for Certification of Training Bodies 2005/9/29 2005/11/1
11	f. Services incidental to agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing (CPC 881 and 882)	Animal Husbandry Law of the People's Republic of China 2005/12/29 2006/7/1  Measures for the Examination and Approval of Entry & Exit and the Foreign Cooperative Research on the Application of Genetic Resources of Livestock and Poultry 2008/8/28 2008/10/1
12	<ul><li>m. Related scientific technical consulting services (CPC 8675)</li><li>- Onshore oil-field services</li></ul>	Regulations on Exploitation of On-shore Petroleum Resources in Cooperation with Foreign Enterprises 2001/9/23 2001/9/23  Decision of the State Council on Amending the Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Sino-foreign Cooperation in the Exploitation of Continental Petroleum Resources 2007/9/18 2007/9/18
13	- Offshore oil-field services, Geological, geophysical and other scientific prospecting services (CPC 86751) Sub-surface surveying service (CPC 86752) (CPC 86751)	Regulations on Exploitation of Offshore Petroleum Resources in Cooperation with Foreign Enterprises 2001/9/23 2001/9/23
14	p. Photographic services CPC 875	Laws, regulations and administrative measures listed in the Horizontal Commitment part are followed
15	q. Packaging services CPC 876	Laws, regulations and administrative measures listed in the Horizontal Commitment part are followed
16	s. Convention services CPC 87909	Interim Rules on the Establishment of the Conference and Exhibition Companies with Foreign Investment 2004/01/13  Supplementary Provisions for the Interim Rules on the Establishment of the Conference and Exhibition Companies with Foreign Investment 2007/5/17 2007/5/17
17	t. Translation and interpretation services (CPC 87905)	Laws, regulations and administrative measures listed in the Horizontal Commitment part are followed

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
18	<ul> <li>Maintenance and repair services (CPC 63, 6112 and 6122)</li> <li>Maintenance and repair services of office machinery and equipment including computers (CPC 845 and 886)</li> </ul>	Provisions on Administration of Motor Vehicle Repairing 2005/06/24 2005/08/01
19	- Rental and leasing services (CPC 831, 832 excluding CPC 83202)	Administrative Measures on Foreign Investment in Lease Industry 2005/02/03
20	COMMUNICATION SERVICES     B. Courier Services (CPC 75121,except for those currently specifically reserved to Chinese postal authorities by law)	Postal Law of the People's Republic of China 1986/12/2 1987/1/1  Rules for the Implementation of the Postal Law of The People's Republic of China 1990/11/12  Notice on the Entrustment Management of Postal and Delivery Services for Cross-border Letters and Materials of Letters in Nature 2001/12/20  Supplementary Notice on the Engagement in Postal and Delivery Services for Cross-border Letters and Materials of Letters in Nature 2002/9/5  Measures for the Administration of International Freight Forwarding Agency Enterprises with Foreign Investment 2005/12/1 2005/12/11  Express Delivery Service Standards YZ/T0128-2007 2007/9/24 2008/1/1  Measures for Administration of the Market of Express Delivery Service 2008/7/12 2008/7/12  Measures for the Supervision and Administration of Universal Postal Services 2008/7/12 2008/9/1

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
21	C. Telecommunication Services	Circular of the Ministry of Information Industry of People's Republic of China, on Strengthening the Administration of Foreign Investment and Operation of Value-Added Telecommunication Businesses 2006/7/13  Administrative Measures on Internet E-mail Services 2006/2/20 2006/3/20  Decision of the State Council on Modification the Regulations on Administration of Foreign Invested Telecommunications Enterprises 2008/9/10
22	D. Audiovisual Services - Video, including entertainment software and (CPC 83202), distribution services	Measures for Administration of Sino-Foreign Contractual Distribution Ventures of Audio-Visual Products 2003/12/08
	- Sound recording distribution services	Regulations on Administration of Sino-Foreign Movie Shooting 2004/7/6 2004/8/10  Regulations on the Administration of Sino-Foreign TV Drama Co-production 2004/9/21  Regulations on Administration of Import and Broadcasting of Overseas TV Products 2004/9/23  Supplementary Provisions to Regulations on the Administration of Sino-Foreign TV Drama Co-production 2007/9/19  Supplementary Provisions II to Regulations on the Administration of Sino-Foreign TV Drama Co-production 2008/1/14
23	- Cinema Theatre Services	Interim Provisions on Foreign Investment in Cinemas 2003/11/25 2004/1/1  Supplementary Provisions for the Interim Provisions on Foreign Investment in Cinemas 2005/4/8 2005/5/8  Supplementary Provisions for the Interim Provisions on Foreign Investment in Cinemas 2006/1/18 2006/2/20

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
24	3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES (CPC 511, 512, 513, 1514, 515, 516, 517, 518 <sup>2</sup> )	Implementing Rules on the Qualification Management Contained in the Regulations on the Establishment of Foreign-Invested Construction Enterprises by the Ministry of Construction 2003/04/08  Port Levy of the People's Peo
		Port Law of the People's Republic of China 2003/06/28 2004/01/01
		Provisions on Administration of Road Construction Market 2004/11/22 2005/03/01
		Administrative Regulation on Contracting Foreign Projects 2008/7/21 2008/9/1
		Provisions on the Administration of Qualifications of Enterprises in Construction Industry 2007/6/26 2007/9/1
25	DISTRIBUTION SERVICES     A. Commission Agents' Services	Rules on the Administration of Foreign Invested Enterprises for Book, Newspaper and Journal Distribution 2003/3/17
	(excluding salt, tobacco)  B. Wholesale Trade Services (excluding salt, tobacco)	Rules on Administration of Foodstuff Circulation 2004/5/26
	C. Retailing Services (excluding tobacco)	Measures on Administration of Foreign-funded Commercial Sectors 2004/6/1
		Implementing Measures on the Administration of Automobile Brand Sale 2005/02/21
		Regulations on Administration of Direct Sales 2005/8/23 2005/12/1
		Regulations on Prohibition of Chuanxiao 2005/8/23 2005/12/1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Including dredging services relating to infrastructure construction.

<sup>2</sup> Coverage of CPC 518 is limited only to the rental and leasing services of construction and/or demolition machines with operator which are owned and used by foreign construction enterprises in their supply of services.

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		Supplementary Provisions on the Measures for the Administration on Foreign Investment in Commercial Fields 2006/1/9 2006/1/9
		Supplementary Provisions on the Measures for the Administration on Foreign Investment in Commercial Fields 2006/11/3 2006/12/1
		Measures for Administration of the Market of Processed Oils 2006/12/4 2007/1/1
		Measures for Administration of the Market of Crude Oil 2006/12/4 2007/1/1
		Regulation on the Administration of Commercial Franchises 2007/2/6 2007/5/1
		Supplementary Provisions on the Measures for the Administration on Foreign Investment in Commercial Fields 2007/11/5
26	5. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	Law of the People's Republic of China on Promotion of Privately-run Schools 2002/12/28 2003/9/1
		Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Chinese-Foreign Cooperation in Running Schools 2003/3/1 2003/09/01
		Implementing Rules on Law of the People's Republic of China on Promotion of Privately-run Schools 2004/3/5 2004/4/1
		Implementing Measures of the Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Chinese-Foreign Cooperation in Running Schools 2004/6/2 2004/7/1
		Opinions of the Ministry of Education on Certain Current Issues Regarding Chinese-Foreign Cooperation in Running Schools 2006/2/7 2006/2/7
		Circular of the Ministry of Education on Further Standardizing the Order of Chinese Foreign Cooperation in Running Schools 2007/4/6 2007/4/6

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
27	6. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	Laws, regulations and administrative measures listed in the Horizontal Commitment part are followed
28	7. FINANCIAL SERVICES A. Insurance services	Regulations of People's Republic of China on Administration of Foreign-Funded Insurance Companies 2001/12/12
		Insurance Law of the People's Republic of China 2002/10/28 2003/1/1
		Detailed Rules for Implementation of Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Administration of Foreign-funded Insurance Companies 2004/6/15
		Rules on Administration of Reinsurance Business 2005/10/14
		Rules on Administration of Representative Offices of Foreign Insurance Institutions 2006/7/12
		Measures for Administration of Insurance License 2007/6/22 2007/9/1
		Measures for Administration of Chief Actuary of Insurance Companies 2007/9/28 2008/1/1
		Temporary Measures on Overseas Investment of Insurance Funds 2008/7/26 2008/7/26
29	B. Banking Services	Regulations on Administration of Foreign-Funded Financial Institutions 2001/12/20
		Measures for Administration of Representative Offices of Foreign-Capital Financial Institutions in China 2002/6/13
		Decisions by the China Banking Supervision and Administration Commission on the Adjustments to the Administrative Modes and Procedures of Banking Market Access 2003/05/29

Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
	Administrative Rules for the Financial License 2003/7/1
	Provisional Rules on the Pricing of Services by Commercial Banks 2003/10/1
	Measures on Administration of Foreign Banking Institutions' Investing in Chinese-funded Financial Institutions 2003/12/8 2003/12/31
	Law on People's Bank of China of People's Republic of China 2003/12/27 2004/2/1
	Law of the People's Republic of China on Commercial Banks 2003/12/27 2004/2/1
	Law of the People's Republic of China on Regulation of and Supervision over the Banking Industry 2003/12/27 2004/2/1
	Administrative Measures on Supervision of Consolidated Financial Statements of Foreign-invested Banks 2004/3/1 2004/4/1
	Provisional Rules on the Monitoring and Assessment of NPLs at Commercial Banks 2004/3/25
	Administrative Rules on Commercial Banks' Connected Transactions with Insiders and Shareholders 2004/4/2 2004/5/1
	Administrative Rules Governing Foreign Debts of Foreign Banks in China 2004/5/27
	Administrative Rules on the Issuance of Subordinated Debts by Commercial Banks 2004/6/17
	Guidelines on Commercial Banks' Due Diligence in Credit Business 2004/7/21
	Provisional Rules Governing the Money Brokers 2005/8/8 2005/9/1

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		Provisional Rules Governing Private Banking Services by Commercial Banks 2005/11/1 Administrative Rules Governing Securitization of Credit Assets by Financial Institutions 2005/12/1
		Rules on Implementation of Administrative Licensing Items for Foreign-funded Financial Institutions 2006/1/12 2006/2/1
		Administrative Rules for Electronic Banking Services 2006/3/1
		Provisional Rules for Commercial Banks to Provide Overseas Wealth Management Services for Clients 2006/4/17 2006/4/17
		Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Administration of foreign-funded Banks 2006/11/11
		Administrative Rules Governing Finance Companies of Enterprise Groups 2006/12/28 2006/12/28
		Provisional Administrative Rules Governing Derivatives Activities of Financial Institutions 2007/7/3 2007/7/3
		Regulations Governing Capital Adequacy of Commercial Banks 2007/7/3 2007/7/3
		Regulations of People's Republic of China on Foreign Exchange Administration 2008/8/5 2008/8/5
30	- Motor vehicle financing by non-bank financial institutions	Implementing Rules on the Administration of Auto Financing Companies 2003/11/12
		Administrative Rules for Automotive Loans 2004/10/1
		Rules Governing Auto Financing Companies 2008/1/24 2008/1/24

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
31	- Securities	Provisional Rules for Foreign Securities Institutions to Apply for B-share Trading Seats at Shanghai Stock Exchange 2002/06/19
		Rules on Foreign Institutions' B-share Trading Seats at Shenzhen Stock Exchange 2002/06/19
		Rules for Establishing joint Venture Securities Investment Funds 2002/7/1 Revised on 2007/12/28
		Provisional Rules on Special Foreign Membership of Shanghai Stock Exchange 2002/07/24
		Rules on Special Foreign Membership of Shenzhen Stock Exchange 2002/07/24
		Law of the People's Republic of China on Funds for Investment in Securities 2003/10/28 2004/6/1
		Rules on Administration of Securities Investment Fund Management Corporations 2004/10/01
		The Securities Law of the People's Republic of China 2005/10/27 2006/1/1
		Administrative Rules for Qualified Foreign Institutional Investors' Investment in Domestic Securities Market 2006/8/14 2006/9/1
		Provisional Rules for Foreign Investors' Merger and Acquisition of Domestic Enterprises 2006/8/8 2006/9/8
		Regulation on the Administration of Futures Trading 2007/3/6 2007/4/15
		Administrative Rules for Foreign Stock Exchange's Representative Office in China 2007/5/20 2007/7/1
		Regulations on the Supervision and Administration of Securities Companies 2008/4/23 2008/6/1

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
32	9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES A. Hotels	Laws, regulations and administrative measures listed in the Horizontal Commitment part are followed
33	B. Travel Agency and Tour Operator (CPC 7471)	Regulations on Administration of Travel Agencies 2001/12/11  Provisional Rules on the Establishment of Travel Agencies with Majority Foreign Equity and Solely Foreign Investment 2003/06/12  Amendment to the "Interim Provision on the Establishment of Foreign Holding and Solely foreign-Funded Travel Agencies" 2005/02/17  Supplementary Provisions for the Interim Provision on the Establishment of Foreign Holding and Solely foreign-Funded
34	11.TRANSPORT SERVICES A. Maritime Transport Services - International transport (CPC 7211 and 7212 less cabotage transport services) H. Auxiliary Services a. Maritime cargo-handling services (CPC 741) d. Container station and depot services e. Maritime agency services B. Internal Waterways Transport b. Freight transport (CPC 7222)	Travel Agencies 2005/12/29  Provisional Rules on the Approval and Administration of Vessel Companies with Solely Foreign Investment 2000/01/28  Regulations on International Maritime Transportation 2001/12/11 2002/01/01  Implementing Rules for the Regulations on International Maritime Transportation 2003/01/20 2003/03/01  Rules on the Administration of Foreign Investment in the International Maritime Transportation Industry 2004/02/25 2004/06/01  Provisions on Administration of Port Management
35	C. Air Transport Services c. Aircraft repair and maintenance services (CPC 8868)	2004/4/15 2004/06/01  Rules on the Foreign Investment to the Civil Aviation Industry 2002/06/21 2002/8/1  The Supplementary Regulations to the Regulations on Foreign Investment in Civil Aviation Industry 2005/1/24 2005/2/24

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		Management Rules of Civil Aircraft Maintenance Personnel License 2005/9/27 2005/12/31
		Civil Aircraft Maintenance Organization Certification Regulations 2005/9/27 2005/12/31
		Civil Aircraft Maintenance Training Organization Certificate Regulations 2005/9/27 2005/12/31
		Supplementary Provisions on the Measures for the Administration on Foreign Investment in Commercial Fields 2007/1/4 2007/1/4
36	- Computer Reservation System services	Provisional Administrative Measures on the Usage of Computer (Passenger) Reservation System by Chinese Air Transport Enterprises and their Sales Agents within the Territory of China 1995/3/20
37	E. Rail Transport Services - Freight transportation by rail (CPC 7112)	Provisional Measures on Examination, Approval and Administration of Railway Freight Transport Industry Invested by Foreigners 2000/8/29
38	F. Road Transport Services - Freight transportation by road in trucks or cars (CPC 7123)	Provisions on Administration of Foreign Investment in Road Transport Sector 2001/11/20
	trucks of cars (CFC /123)	Supplementary Provision of "Provisions on Administration of Foreign Investment in Road Transport Sector" 2003/12/31 2004/01/01
		Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Road Transport 2004/04/3 2004/07/01
		Supplementary Provision II of "Provisions on Administration of Foreign Investment in Road Transport Sector" 2004/12/28
		Provisions on Administration of International Road Transport 2005/04/13; 2005/06/01
39	H. Services Auxiliary to all Modes of Transport	Provisions on Administration of Road Cargo Transport and Depots 2005/06/16 2006/08/01
	- Storage and warehousing services (CPC 742)	Provisions on Administration of Road Passenger Transport and Stations

	Services sector or sub-sector	Name of Relevant Laws, Regulations and/or Administrative Measures and Date of Publication or Entering into force
		2005/07/13 2005/08/01
40	- Freight forwarding agency services (CPC 748 and 749 excluding freight inspection)	Rules on Administration of International Freight Forwarding Agency Enterprises with Foreign Investment 2002/12/1
	-	Interim Measures for the Archival Filing of International Freight Forwarders 2005/3/7 2005/4/1

# (b) China's licensing procedures and conditions, if any, between domestic and foreign service suppliers, measures implementing the free choice of partner and list of transport agreements covered by MFN exceptions

Licensing procedures and conditions and measures implementing the free choice of partner for the sectors and sub-sectors included in the Schedule of Specific Commitment on Services of China are provided in the corresponding laws, regulations and administrative measures as listed under item (a). These laws, regulations and administrative measures have been notified in full text English translation to the Council for Trade in Services pursuant to Article 3 of the General Agreement on Trade in Services.

List of transport agreements covered by MFN exemption

reements covered by temption	Countries to which the measures applies	Current state of play
may, through bilateral ntities to engage in a either as joint ned subsidiaries laws on joint ventures enterprises for ships carriers of the parties	Unspecified	
haring	Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Zaire  Argentina	Still valid  Terminated on 5 October 1995
	Thailand	Terminated on 30 May 1995 Terminated in 1998
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(c) Regularly updated lists of the authorities, at all levels of government (including organizations with delegated authority) which are responsible for the adoption, implementation and reception of appeals for laws, regulations, administrative guidelines and other measures affecting trade in services

	Services sector or sub-sector	Authorities responsible
	II. SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS	
2	1. BUSINESS SERVICES A. Professional Services a. Legal Services (CPC 861, excluding Chinese law practices)	Ministry of Justice
3	<ul><li>b. Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)</li><li>c. Taxation services (CPC 8630)</li></ul>	Ministry of Finance Ministry of Commerce
4	d. Architectural services (CPC 8671) e. Engineering services (CPC 8672) f. Integrated engineering services (CPC 8673) g. Urban planning services (CPC 8674)	Ministry of Construction Ministry of Commerce
5	h. Medical and dental services (CPC	Ministry of Health
	9312)	Ministry of Commerce
6	B. Computer and Related Services	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
7	C. Real Estate Services	Ministry of Construction, and its subordinate bodies
		Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
8	F. Other Business Services	State Administration for Industry and Commerce
	a. Advertising Services (CPC 871)	Ministry of Commerce
9	c. Management Consulting services (CPC865)	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
10	d. Technical testing and analysis services (CPC 8676) and freight inspection covered by CPC 749, excluding statutory inspection services for freight inspection services	State Administration for Quality Supervision and Inspection and Quarantine Ministry of Commerce Ministry of Communications
11	e. Services incidental to agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing (CPC 881 and 882)	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
12	<ul><li>m. Related scientific technical consulting services (CPC 8675)</li><li>Onshore oil-field services</li></ul>	Ministry of Commerce

	Services sector or sub-sector	Authorities responsible
13	- Offshore oil-field services,	Ministry of Commerce
	Geological, geophysical and other	
	scientific prospecting services	
	(CPC 86751)	
	Sub-surface surveying service	
	(CPC 86752)	
14	p. Photographic services (CPC 875)	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
15	q. Packaging services (CPC 876)	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
16	s. Convention services (CPC 87909)	Ministry of Commerce
17	t. Translation and interpretation services (CPC 87905)	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
18	- Maintenance and repair services	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
	(CPC63, 6112 and 6122)	Ministry of Communications
	- Maintenance and repair services of	
	office machinery and equipment	
	including computers (CPC845 and	
10	886)	
19	- Rental and leasing services (CPC 831, 832 excluding	Ministry of Commerce
	CPC 831, 832 excluding CPC 83202)	
20	2. COMMUNICATION SERVICES	State Post Bureau
20	2. COMMUNICATION SERVICES	Ministry of Commerce
	B. Courier Services (CPC 75121,	Williams of Commerce
	except for those currently	
	specifically reserved to Chinese	
	postal authorities by law)	
21	C. Telecommunication Services	Ministry of Industry and Information Technology
		Ministry of Commerce
22	D. Audiovisual Services	Ministry of Culture
	- Video, including entertainment	Ministry of Commerce
	software and (CPC 83202),	State Administration of Radio, Film and Television
	distribution services	
	- Sound recording distribution	
	services	

	Services sector or sub-sector	Authorities responsible
23	- Cinema Theatre Services	State Administration of radio, Film and Television
		Ministry of Commerce
24	3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES (CPC 511, 512, 513, 3 514, 515, 516, 517, 518 <sup>4</sup> )	Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, Ministry of Communication Ministry of Commerce
25	4. DISTRIBUTION SERVICES A. Commission Agents' Services (excluding salt, tobacco) B. Wholesale Trade Services (excluding salt, tobacco) C. Retailing Services (excluding tobacco)	Ministry of Commerce  For those phase-in products specifically provided for in the Market Access Column of the distribution sector of the Schedule, other relevant government authorities may also be involved.
26	3. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	Ministry of Education
27	6. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
28	7. FINANCIAL SERVICES A. Insurance services	China Insurance Regulatory Commission
29	B. Banking Services	China Banking Regulatory Commission and its sub-national missions The People's Bank of China and its sub-national missions
30	- Motor vehicle financing by non-bank financial institutions	China Banking Regulatory Commission and its sub-national missions
31	- Securities	China Securities Regulatory Commission
32	9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES A. Hotels	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies
33	B. Travel Agency and Tour Operator (CPC 7471)	National Tourism Administration Ministry of Commerce

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Including dredging services relating to infrastructure construction.

<sup>4</sup> Coverage of CPC 518 is limited only to the rental and leasing services of construction and/or demolition machines with operator which are owned and used by foreign construction enterprises in their supply of services.

	Services sector or sub-sector	Authorities responsible
34	11.TRANSPORT SERVICES A. Maritime Transport Services - International transport (CPC 7211 and 7212 less cabotage transport services) H. Auxiliary Services a. Maritime cargo-handling services (CPC 741) d. Container station and depot services e. Maritime agency services B. Internal Waterways Transport b. Freight transport (CPC 7222)	Ministry of Communications Ministry of Commerce
35	C. Air Transport Services d. Aircraft repair and maintenance services (CPC 8868)	Administration of Civil Aviation of China Ministry of Commerce
36	- Computer Reservation System services	General Administration of Civil Aviation of China
37	E. Rail Transport Services - Freight transportation by rail (CPC 7112)	Ministry of Railways Ministry of Commerce
38	F. Road Transport Services - Freight transportation by road in trucks or cars (CPC 7123)	Ministry of Communications Ministry of Commerce
39	H. Services Auxiliary to all Modes of Transport - Storage and warehousing services (CPC 742)	Ministry of Commerce, and its subordinate bodies Ministry of Communications
40	- Freight forwarding agency services (CPC 748 and 749 excluding freight inspection)	Ministry of Commerce

#### (d) Independence of the regulatory authorities from the service suppliers

With regard to the independence of the regulatory authorities from the service suppliers, China fully complies with its commitment of independent regulation described in paragraph 309 of the Working Party Report on the accession of China.

## (e) Foreign and domestic suppliers in sectors where specific commitments have been undertaken indicating the state of play of licensing applications on sector and sub-sector levels (accepted, pending, rejected)

	Services sector or sub-sector	State of play of licensing applications of foreign services supplier		
		Approved	Pending	Rejected
	II. SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS			
2	1. BUSINESS SERVICES	1*	n.a.	n.a
	A. Professional Services			
	a. Legal Services (CPC861, excluding Chinese law practices)			
3	b. Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)	6	0	0
	c. Taxation services (CPC 8630)			
4	d. Architectural services (CPC 8671)	226*	n.a	n.a
	e. Engineering services (CPC 8672)			
	f. Integrated engineering services (CPC 8673)			
	g. Urban planning services (CPC 8674)			
5	h. Medical and dental services (CPC 9312)	4*	2	n.a.
6	B. Computer and Related Services	1056*	n.a.	n.a.
7	C. Real Estate Services	363*	n.a	n.a
8	F. Other Business Services	49*	n.a	n.a
	a. Advertising Services (CPC 871)			
9	c. Management Consulting services (CPC865)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
10	c. Technical testing and analysis services (CPC 8676) and freight	14*	3	2
	inspection covered by CPC 749, excluding statutory inspection services			
	for freight inspection services			
11	f. Services incidental to agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing (CPC 881	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	and 882)			
12	m. Related scientific technical consulting services (CPC 8675)	22	2	n.a
	- Onshore oil-field services			
13	- Offshore oil-field services, Geological, geophysical and other scientific	19*	12	n.a
	prospecting services (CPC 86751)	104*		
	Sub-surface surveying service (CPC 86752)			
14	p. Photographic services (CPC 875)	6*	n.a.	n.a.
15	q. Packaging services (CPC 876)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

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16	s. Convention services (CPC 87909)	n.a	n.a	n.a
17	t. Translation and interpretation services (CPC 87905)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
18	- Maintenance and repair services (CPC63, 6112 and 6122)	19*	n.a.	n.a.
	- Maintenance and repair services of office machinery and equipment including computers (CPC 845 and 886)			
19	- Rental and leasing services (CPC 831, 832 excluding CPC 83202)	12*	n.a	n.a
20	2. COMMUNICATION SERVICES	167 (372 branches)	n.a	42
	B. Courier Services (CPC 75121, except for those currently specifically			
	reserved to Chinese postal authorities by law)			
21	D. Telecommunication Services	19*	1	n.a
22	D. Audiovisual Services	6*	1	0
	- Video, including entertainment software and (CPC 83202), distribution			
	services			
	- Sound recording distribution services			
23	- Cinema Theatre Services	3*	n.a	n.a
24	3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES	n.a	n.a	n.a
	(CPC 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518 <sup>6</sup> )			
25	4. DISTRIBUTION SERVICES	4920*	n.a	n.a
	A. Commission Agents' Services (excluding salt, tobacco)			
	B. Wholesale Trade Services (excluding salt, tobacco)			
	C. Retailing Services (excluding tobacco)			
26	5. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	22*	n.a.	110
27	6. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	55*	n.a.	n.a.
28	7. FINANCIAL SERVICES	20	n.a.	n.a.
	A. Insurance services			
29	B. Banking Services	532	n.a	n.a
30	- Motor vehicle financing by non-bank financial institutions	7	n.a	n.a
31	- Securities	5	4	n.a
32	9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES	7*	n.a.	n.a.
	A. Hotels			
33	B. Travel Agency and Tour Operator (CPC 7471)	35	1	1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Including dredging services relating to infrastructure construction.

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35	C. Air Transport Services d. Aircraft repair and maintenance services (CPC 8868)	201	114	2
36	- Computer Reservation System services	n.a	n.a	n.a
37	E. Rail Transport Services - Freight transportation by rail (CPC 7112)	0	0	0
38	F. Road Transport Services - Freight transportation by road in trucks or cars (CPC 7123)	20*	0	n.a
39	H. Services Auxiliary to all Modes of Transport - Storage and warehousing services (CPC 742)	178*	n.a.	n.a.
40	- Freight forwarding agency services (CPC 748 and 749 excluding freight inspection)	183*	n.a	n.a

#### Note:

- 1. This table gives the state of play of applications of foreign services suppliers from the date of China's accession to the WTO till 30 August 2008.
- 2. n.a. = not available, due to lack of efficient statistics collection channel or capacity.
- 3. This particular number is the total approvals granted for foreign services suppliers in this sector, instead of since China's WTO accession.
- 4. \* Means that the data is the number of newly approved applicants between January and October, 2008.