ANNEX III NON-CONFORMING MEASURES OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO FINANCIAL SERVICES

Headnotes

- 1. Commitments in these sub-sectors under the Agreement are undertaken subject to the limitations and conditions set forth in these headnotes and in the Schedule below.
- 2. National treatment commitments in these subsectors are subject to the following limitations:
 - (a) National treatment with respect to banking will be provided based upon the foreign bank's "home state" in the United States, as that term is defined under the International Banking Act, where that Act is applicable. A domestic bank subsidiary of a foreign firm will have its own "home state," and national treatment will be provided based upon the subsidiary's home state, as determined under applicable law.¹
 - (b) National treatment with respect to insurance financial institutions will be provided according to a non-U.S. insurance financial institution's state of domicile, where applicable, in the United States. State of domicile is defined by individual states, and is generally the state in which an insurer either is incorporated, is organized, or maintains its principal office in the United States.
- 3. To clarify the U.S. commitment with respect to Article 11.4 Agreement (Market Access for Financial Institutions), juridical persons supplying banking or other financial services (excluding insurance) and constituted under the laws of the United States are subject to non-discriminatory limitations on juridical form.²
- 4. The United States limits its commitments under Article 11.9.1(c) (Non-Conforming Measures) with respect to Article 11.4 (Market Access for Financial Institutions) in the following manner: with respect to banking and other financial services (excluding insurance), Article

¹ Foreign banking organizations are generally subject to geographic and other limitations in the United States on a national treatment basis. Where such limitations do not conform to national treatment, they have been listed as non-conforming measures. For purposes of illustration, under this approach, the following situation does not accord national treatment and would therefore be listed as a non-conforming measure: a foreign bank from a particular home state is accorded less favorable treatment than that accorded to a domestic bank from that state with respect to expansion by branching.

² For example, partnerships and sole proprietorships are generally not acceptable juridical forms for depository financial institutions in the United States. This headnote is not itself intended to affect, or otherwise limit, a choice by a financial institution of the other Party between branches or subsidiaries.

11.9.1(c) shall apply only to non-conforming measures relating to Article 11.4 (a) and not to those non-conforming measures relating to Article 11.4(b).

Schedule of the United States with Respect to Financial Services

Sector: Financial Services

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 11.8)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. § 72

Description: All directors of a national bank must be U.S. citizens, except that

the Comptroller of the Currency may waive the citizenship requirement for not more than a minority of the total number of

directors.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. § 619

Description: Foreign ownership of Edge corporations is limited to foreign banks

and U.S. subsidiaries of foreign banks, while domestic non-bank

firms may own such corporations.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. § 1463 et seq. & 12 U.S.C. § 1751 et seq.

Description: Federal and state laws do not permit a credit union, savings bank,

or savings association (both of the latter two entities may be also called thrift institutions) in the United States to be established through branches of corporations organized under a foreign

country's law.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. § 3104(d)

Description: In order to accept or maintain domestic retail deposits of less than

\$100,000, a foreign bank must establish an insured banking subsidiary. This requirement does not apply to a foreign bank branch that was engaged in insured deposit-taking activities on

December 19, 1991.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 15 U.S.C. §§ 80b-2, 80b-3

Description: Foreign banks are required to register as investment advisers under

the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to engage in securities advisory and investment management services in the United States, while domestic banks* (or a separately identifiable department or division of the bank) do not have to register unless they advise registered investment companies. The registration

requirement involves record maintenance, inspections, submission

of reports, and payment of a fee.

* For greater clarity, "domestic banks" include U.S. bank subsidiaries of foreign banks.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. §§ 221, 302, 321

Description: Foreign banks cannot be members of the Federal Reserve System,

and thus may not vote for directors of a Federal Reserve Bank. Foreign-owned bank subsidiaries are not subject to this measure.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. § 36(g); 12 U.S.C. § 1828(d)(4); 12 U.S.C. §

1831u(a)(4)

Description: The United States undertakes no commitment with respect to

paragraph (b) of Article 11.4 of the Agreement in relation to the expansion, via the establishment of a branch or the acquisition of one or more branches of a bank without acquisition of the entire bank, by a foreign bank into another state from its "home state," as that term is defined under applicable law. Except as provided elsewhere in this Schedule, such expansion shall be accorded on a

national treatment basis in accordance with headnote 2(a).

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. § 1831u

Description: Interstate expansion by a foreign bank through the establishment

of branches by merger with a bank located outside the "home state," as that term is defined under applicable law, of a foreign bank shall be accorded on a national treatment basis in accordance with headnote 2(a), except as provided elsewhere in this Schedule.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. § 3102(a)(1); 12 U.S.C. § 3103(a); 12 U.S.C. § 3102(d)

Description: Establishment of a federal branch or agency by a foreign bank is

not available in the following states that may prohibit establishment of a branch or agency by a foreign bank:

• Branches and agencies may be prohibited in Alabama, Kansas, Maryland, North Dakota, and Wyoming.

• Branches, but not agencies, may be prohibited in Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri,

Oklahoma, Texas, and West Virginia.

Certain restrictions on fiduciary powers apply to federal agencies.

Note: The cited federal measures provide that certain state law restrictions shall apply to the establishment of federal branches or

agencies.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: Most-Favored-Nation Treatment (Article 11.3)

Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 15 U.S.C. § 77jjjj(a)(1)

Description: The authority to act as a sole trustee of an indenture for a bond

offering in the United States is subject to a reciprocity test.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: Most-Favored-Nation Treatment (Article 11.3)

Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 22 U.S.C. §§ 5341-5342

Description: Designation as a primary dealer in U.S. government debt securities

is conditioned on reciprocity.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: Most-Favored-Nation Treatment (Article 11.3)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 15 U.S.C. § 78o(c)

Description: A broker-dealer registered under U.S. law that has its principal

place of business in Canada may maintain its required reserves in a

bank in Canada subject to the supervision of Canada.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 12 U.S.C. §§ 1421 et seq. (Federal Home Loan Banks); 12 U.S.C.

§§ 1451 <u>et seq.</u> (Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation); 12 U.S.C. §§ 1717 <u>et seq.</u> (Federal National Mortgage Association); 12 U.S.C. §§ 2011 <u>et seq.</u> (Farm Credit Banks); 12 U.S.C. §§ 2279aa-1 <u>et seq.</u> (Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation); 20 U.S.C. §§ 1087-2 et seq. (Student Loan Marketing Association)

Description: The United States may grant advantages, including but not limited

to the following, to one or more of the Government-Sponsored

Enterprises (GSEs) listed above:

• Capital, reserves, and income of the GSE are exempt from certain taxation.

• Securities issued by the GSE are exempt from registration and periodic reporting requirements under federal securities laws.

• The U.S. Treasury may, in its discretion, purchase obligations issued by the GSE.

Sub-Sector: Banking and Other Financial Services (Excluding Insurance)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Most-Favored-Nation Treatment (Article 11.3)

Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4) Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 11.8)

Level of Government: Regional

Measures: All existing non-conforming measures of all states, the District of

Columbia, and Puerto Rico

Description:

Financial Services Sector:

Sub-Sector: Insurance

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Cross-Border Trade (Article 11.5)

Level of Government: Central

31 U.S.C. § 9304 **Measures:**

Branches of foreign insurance companies are not permitted to provide surety bonds for U.S. Government contracts. **Description:**

Sub-Sector: Insurance

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Cross-Border Trade (Article 11.5)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: 46 C.F.R. § 249.9

Description: When more than 50 per cent of the value of a maritime vessel

whose hull was built under federally guaranteed mortgage funds is insured by a non-U.S. insurer, the insured must demonstrate that

the risk was substantially first offered in the U.S. market.

Sub-Sector: Insurance

Obligations Concerned: Market Access for Financial Institutions (Article 11.4)

Level of Government: All

Measures:

Description: The United States reserves the right to adopt or maintain any

measure that is not inconsistent with the United States' obligations

under Article XVI of GATS.

Sub-Sector: Insurance

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 11.2)

Most-Favored-Nation Treatment (Article 11.3)

Cross-Border Trade (Article 11.5)

Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 11.8)

Level of Government: Regional

Measures: All existing non-conforming measures of all states, the District of

Columbia, and Puerto Rico

Description: