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**ANNEX I  
SCHEDULE OF VIET NAM**

Introductory Note for the Schedule of Viet Nam

1. **Description** sets out the non-conforming measure for which the entry is made.
2. In accordance with Articles 10.7 (Cross Border Trade in Services – Non-Conforming Measures) and 9.11 (Investment – Non-Conforming Measures), the articles of this Agreement specified in the **Obligations Concerned** element of an entry do not apply to the non-conforming measures identified in the **Description** element of that entry.
3. Classification numbers, where referenced in the “**sub-sector**” element, refers to the activity covered by the non-conforming measure according to the provisional CPC codes as used in the Provisional Central Product Classification (Statistical Papers Series M No. 77, Department of International Economic and Social Affairs, Statistical Office of the United Nations, New York, 1991).

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<b>Sector:</b>	Professional Services
<b>Sub-sector:</b>	Legal Services (CPC 861)
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4 and 10.3)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Law No 20/2012/QH13 providing amendments for the Law on Lawyers No. 65/2006/QH11 dated 29 June 2006
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment</u>

Foreign lawyers organizations<sup>1</sup> and foreign lawyers may provide legal services in Viet Nam, through the following forms:

- Branches of foreign lawyers organizations;
- Wholly foreign limited liability law firm;
- Joint venture limited liability law firm;
- Partnerships between foreign lawyer organisations and Viet Nam's law partnerships.

These entities are not allowed to:

- participate in legal proceedings in the capacity of defenders or representatives of their clients before the courts of Viet Nam;
- participate in legal documentation and certification services of the laws of Viet Nam<sup>2</sup>.

The foreign lawyers practicing laws in Viet Nam are not permitted to advise on Vietnamese laws unless they have graduated from a Vietnamese law college and satisfy requirements applied to like Vietnamese lawyers. They are not allowed to defend or represent clients before the courts of Viet Nam.

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<sup>1</sup> A "foreign lawyers organization" is an organization of practicing lawyers established in any commercial corporate form in a foreign country (including firms, companies, corporations, etc.) by one or more foreign lawyers or law firms.

<sup>2</sup> For greater certainty, legal documentation and certification services include notary services and other services as provided in Vietnamese law, but do not include commercial contracts and business charters. Drafting on such matters as commercial contracts and business charters may be conducted by Vietnamese lawyers working in foreign lawyer organizations.

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**Sector:** Professional Services

**Sub - sector:** Auditing services (CPC 862)

**Obligations  
Concerned:** Local Presence (Article 10.6)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Decree No. 17/2012/ND-CP dated 13 March 2012.

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Foreign services suppliers are not permitted to provide auditing services unless they meet the requirements of local presence in Viet Nam.

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**Sector:** Professional Services

**Sub - sector:** Veterinary services (CPC 932)

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment to provide veterinary services may not be permitted in Viet Nam unless such services are provided by natural persons in the form of private professional practice.

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**Sector:** Distribution services

**Sub - sector:**

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:**

- Decree No. 23/2007/ND-CP dated 12 February 2007
- Circular No. 09/2007/TT-BTM dated 17 July 2007
- Circular No. 05/2008/TT-BCT dated 14 April 2008
- Decision No. 10/2007/QD-BTM dated 21 May 2007

**Description:** Investment

The establishment of outlets for retail services (beyond the first one) shall be allowed on the basis of an Economic Needs Test (ENT).

Applications to establish more than one outlet shall be subject to pre-established publicly available procedures, and approval shall be based on objective criteria. The main criteria of the ENT include the number of existing service suppliers in a particular geographic area, the stability of market and geographic scale.

The establishment of outlets for retail services with area of less than 500 square meters in areas that are planned for commercial activities by the People's Committee of cities and provinces, and on which the construction of infrastructure has been finished, is not subject to the ENT requirement.

Five years after the date of entry into force of the Agreement, the ENT shall be removed and this entry shall no longer have effect.

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**Sector:** Other Business Services

**Sub - sector:** Technical testing and analysis services (CPC 8676)

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of Government:** National

**Measure:** Decree No. 140/2007/ND-CP dated 5 September 2007

**Description:** Investment

Where Viet Nam allows private suppliers of technical testing and analysis services access to a sector previously closed to private sector competition on the grounds that these services had been supplied in the exercise of governmental authority, such services shall be allowed without limitation on foreign ownership five years after such access to private sector competition is allowed.

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**Sector:** Other Business Services

**Sub - sector:** Services incidental to agriculture, hunting and forestry (CPC 881)

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment to provide services incidental to agriculture, hunting and forestry may be not be provided except through a business cooperation contract, a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise. In the case of a joint venture or the purchase of shares in an enterprise, foreign equity shall not exceed 51 percent.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Telecommunications Services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Basic Services Value-added Services
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4 and 10.3)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment</u>

*Cross-Border Trade in Services*

- *Satellite-based services*: Foreign service suppliers are not allowed to provide satellite-based services unless the services are offered through commercial arrangements with Vietnamese international satellite service suppliers duly licensed in Viet Nam, except satellite-based services offered to off-shore/on sea based business customers, government institutions, facilities-based service suppliers, radio and television broadcasters, official international organization' representative offices, diplomatic representatives and consulates, high tech and software development parks and multinational companies<sup>3</sup> that are licensed to use satellite-earth stations.

*Investment*

- *Non facilities-based services*<sup>4</sup>:

+ *Basic and valued added services*: foreign investment to provide non facilities-based services may not be permitted except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 65 percent, or 70 percent in the case of virtual private networks. No later than five years after the date of entry into force of the TPP Agreement, Viet Nam shall eliminate any foreign equity limitation or joint venture requirement.

- *Facilities-based services*:

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<sup>3</sup> For the purpose of this non-conforming measure, a multinational is a corporation which: a) has a commercial presence in Viet Nam; b) operates in at least one other TPP member; c) has been in operation for at least five years; d) is licensed to use satellite services in at least one TPP Member.

<sup>4</sup> For the purpose of this entry, a "non-facilities based service supplier" means a service supplier which does not own transmission capacity but contracts for such capacity including submarine cable capacity, including on a long-term basis, from a facilities-based supplier. A non facilities-based supplier is not otherwise excluded from owning telecommunications equipment within their premises and permitted public service provision points (POP).



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+ *Basic services*: foreign investment to provide facilities-based services may not be permitted except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise dully licensed in Viet Nam, with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.

+ *Valued added services*: foreign investment to provide facilities-based services may not be permitted except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise dully licensed in Viet Nam, with foreign equity not exceeding 51 percent. No later than five years after the date of entry into force of the TPP Agreement, Viet Nam shall permit foreign equity up to 65 percent.

Foreign service suppliers shall be permitted up to 100 percent ownership of submarine cable transmission capacity landing at a licensed submarine cable landing station in Viet Nam, and may sell such capacity to any licensed telecommunications operator in Viet Nam, including Internet Service Providers, in Viet Nam.

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**Sector:** Audiovisual Services

**Sub - sector:** Motion picture production (CPC 96112)  
Motion picture distribution (CPC 96113)  
Motion picture projection service (CPC 96121)

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment to provide motion picture production, distribution and projection services may not be permitted except through a business cooperation contract or a joint venture with a Vietnamese partner legally authorized to provide such services, or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise legally authorized to provide such services. In the case of a joint venture or the purchase of shares in an enterprise, foreign equity shall not exceed 51 percent.

For motion picture projection service, foreign organizations and individuals are not permitted to engage in business cooperation contract or joint-venture with Viet Nam's houses of culture, public cinema clubs and societies, mobile projection teams, or owners or operators of temporary film-projection locations.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Audiovisual Services
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	Performance Requirement (Article 9.9)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The Law on Cinematography 2006, Law No. 62/2006/QH11</li><li>- The Law Amending and Supplementing A Number of Articles on the Law of Cinematography 2009, Law No. 31/2009/QH12</li><li>- Decree No 54/2010/NĐ-CP dated 21 May 2010</li></ul>
<b>Description:</b>	<p><u>Investment</u></p> <p>Cinemas must screen Vietnamese films on the occasion of major anniversaries of the country.</p> <p>The ratio of screening Vietnamese films to total films shall not be less than 20 percent on an annual basis. Cinemas should show at least one Vietnamese film between the hours of 18:00 and 22:00.</p>

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<b>Sector:</b>	Educational services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Higher education services (CPC 923) Adult education (CPC 924) Other education services (CPC 929 including foreign language training)
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>

Foreign investment to provide educational services in the following fields of study is not permitted: national security, defense, political science, religion, Vietnamese culture and other fields of study necessary to protect Vietnamese public morals. This limitation shall not prevent the supply of educational services in fields of study where Viet Nam is bound under any other trade agreement.

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<b>Sector</b>	Tourism and travel related services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Travel agencies and tour operator services (CPC 7471)
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>  Only foreign investment to provide inbound services and domestic travel for inbound tourists as an integral part of inbound services is permitted.

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<b>Sector</b>	Recreational, cultural and sporting services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Entertainment services (including theatre, live bands and circus services) (CPC 9619)
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>

Foreign investment to provide entertainment services covered by CPC 9619 (including theatre, live bands and circus services) may not be provided except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent. Three years after the date of entry into force of the Agreement, a joint venture or purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise with foreign equity not exceeding 51 percent shall be permitted.

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**Sector** Recreational, cultural and sporting services

**Sub - sector:** Electronic games business

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4 and 10.3)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Administrative measures

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment

Foreign investment to provide electronic games services may not be provided except through a business cooperation contract or a joint venture with Vietnamese partner authorised to provide such services or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise authorized to provide such services. In case of a joint venture or the purchase of shares in an enterprise, foreign equity shall not exceed 49 percent.

No later than two years after the date of entry into force of the Agreement, Viet Nam shall permit 51 percent foreign investment in electronic game services offered over the Internet. Five years after the date of entry into force of the Agreement, Viet Nam shall impose no limitations on foreign equity.

For greater certainty, the absence of a reservation against the cross-border services obligations does not preclude Viet Nam from ensuring that the cross-border supply of electronic games services comply with Viet Nam's laws and regulations, including applicable registration and licensing requirements.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Maritime Transport Services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Passenger transportation (CPC 7211) Freight transportation (CPC 7212)
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4) Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 9.10)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>

Foreign investment to provide maritime passenger and freight transportation services under the national flag of Viet Nam may not be provided except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent. In addition, foreign seafarers may not exceed 1/3 of total employees of the ships. The Master or first chief executive must be a Vietnamese citizen.



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<b>Sector:</b>	Services auxiliary to all modes of transport
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Container handling services, except services provided at airports (CPC 7411)
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	- Decree No. 140/2007/ND-CP dated 5 September 2007 - Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>  Foreign investment to provide container handling services may not be provided except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 50 percent.

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**Sector:** Maritime Auxiliary Services

**Sub - sector:** Shipping agency services

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** - Decree No. 115/ND-CP dated 5 July 2007  
- Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment to provide shipping agency services may not be provided except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.

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**Sector:** Internal Waterways Transport

**Sub - sector:** Passenger transport (CPC 7221)  
Freight transport (CPC 7222)

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** - Decree No. 140/2007/ND-CP dated 5 September 2007  
- Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment to provide internal waterway transport services may not be provided except through a joint venture with a Vietnamese partner or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Rail Transport Services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Passenger transportation (CPC 7111) Freight transportation (CPC 7112)
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	- Decree No. 140/2007/ND-CP dated 5 September 2007 - Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>  Foreign investment to provide rail freight transport services may not be provided except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.  Foreign investment to provide passenger rail transport services is not permitted.

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**Sector:** Road Transport Services

**Sub - sector:** Passenger transportation (CPC 7121+7122)  
Freight transportation (CPC 7123)

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** - Decree No. 140/2007/ND-CP dated 5 September 2007  
- Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment to provide road passenger and freight transport services may not be provided except through a business cooperation contract, a joint-venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.

In the case of road freight transport services, subject to the needs of the market<sup>5</sup>, the foreign equity limitation may be raised to but shall not exceed 51 percent.

100 percent of joint-venture drivers shall be Vietnamese citizens.

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<sup>5</sup> The criteria taken into account are among others: creation of new jobs; positive foreign currency balance; introduction of advanced technology, including management skill; reduced industrial pollution; professional training for Vietnamese workers; etc.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Manufacturing
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Aircraft Manufacture Industry Manufacture of railway rolling stock, spare parts, wagon and coach
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>  Foreign investment in the manufacture of aircraft, railway rolling stock, spare parts, wagon and coach may not be permitted except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in Vietnamese enterprise, with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.

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<b>Sector:</b>	All sectors
<b>Sub-sector:</b>	
<b>Obligations concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Law on Land No. 45/2013/QH13 dated 29 November 2013 and the relevant regulations.
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>  Foreign organizations, individuals and the foreign invested enterprises may only acquire and use land-use rights in Viet Nam in accordance with the law on land.

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**Sector:** Power Development

**Sub-sector:**

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measures:** Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment to own or operate power transmission facilities in Viet Nam may not be permitted.

EVN (Viet Nam Electricity Corporation) is currently the sole authorised owner and operator of power transmission facilities in Viet Nam.



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<b>Sector:</b>	All sectors
<b>Sub sector:</b>	
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measures:</b>	Administrative measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>

Foreign investment to establish a commercial presence in the form of branch may not be permitted, except for the following sectors and sub-sectors:

- Legal services (CPC 861);
- Computer and Related Services (CPC 841-845, CPC 849);
- Management consultant services (CPC 865);
- Services related to management consulting (CPC 866);
- Construction and related engineering services (CPC 51);
- Franchising services (CPC 8929).

For greater certainty, and consistent with Article 9.11.1.c (Ratchet), the removal of a branching restriction in a sector or sub-sector does not require the removal of a branching restriction in all sectors.

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**Sector:** Import/Export Services

**Sub sector:**

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measures** Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment in state-trading enterprises of Viet Nam that import certain tobacco products, oil products, publications, recorded media, aircraft, and aircraft parts, as specified in Table 8c of the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of Viet Nam in the WTO may not be permitted.

For greater certainty, and consistent with Article 9.11.1.c (Ratchet), the liberalization of a state-trading enterprise does not require the liberalization of all state-trading enterprises.

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**Sector:** Geodesy and cartography

**Sub sector:**

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measures** Decree 12/2002/ND-CP dated January 22, 2002

**Description:** Investment

Foreign organizations and individuals carrying out directly or in cooperation with domestic organizations the geodesic and cartographic activities in Viet Nam must have their geodesic and cartographic projects approved by competent State bodies and be granted permits for geodesic and cartographic activities.

After completing the geodesic and cartographic projects, the project investors must submit one copy of the results to the State management agency in charge of geodesy and cartography.

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**Sector:** Recreational, cultural and sporting services

**Sub-sector:** Amusement parks

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)  
Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Article 9.5)  
Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)  
Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 9.10)

**Level of Government:** National

**Measure:** Administrative measure

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment of less than US\$ 1 billion in building and managing theme parks or amusement parks shall not be accepted unless the Vietnamese competent authorities advise the applicant that the investment is likely to be of net benefit to Viet Nam. This determination is made in accordance with the following factors:

- The compatibility of the investment with the regional master plan for socio-economic development;
- The ability to meet people's demand for cultural consumption ;
- The compatibility with the local and regional cultural characteristics;
- The effect of the investment on local state budget, employment, on the use of parts, components and services produced in Viet Nam and on competition with the services provided by the local cultural houses.

Investments greater than US\$ 1 billion are not subject to this determination.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Financial services provided by non-financial institutions, excluding the provision and transfer of financial information and advisory financial services
<b>Sub-sector:</b>	
<b>Obligations concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National and regional
<b>Measure:</b>	All existing non-conforming measures
<b>Description:</b>	<u>Investment</u>  All existing non-conforming measures at the central and regional level of government.

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**Sector:** Manufacture of tobacco products, including cigars and cigarettes

**Sub - sector:**

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Decree 67/2013/ND-CP dated June 26, 2013

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment in manufacturing of tobacco products, including cigars and cigarettes, is not allowed, except through a joint venture or the purchase of shares in a Vietnamese enterprise with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.

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**Sector:** Services incidental to energy distribution  
(CPC 887)

**Sub - sector:**

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4 and 10.3)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Administrative measures

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment

Foreign services suppliers are not allowed to supply the services incidental to energy distribution. Foreign investment in these services is not permitted.

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**Sector:** Mining

**Sub - sector:**

**Obligations  
Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)  
Most -Favoured-Nation Treatment (Article 9.5)  
Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)  
Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 9.10)

**Level of  
Government:** National

**Measure:** Administrative measures

**Description:** Investment

Foreign investment in exploitation of minerals shall not be accepted unless the Vietnamese competent authorities advise the applicant that the investment is likely to be of net benefit to Viet Nam. In making this determination, the competent authority may consider the following factors:<sup>6</sup>

- The effect of the investment on the level and nature of economic activity in Viet Nam, including the effect on employment, on the use of parts, components and services produced in Viet Nam and on exports from Viet Nam;
- The degree and significance of participation by Vietnamese in the investment;
- The effect of the investment on productivity, industrial efficiency, technological development and product innovation in Viet Nam;
- The effect of the investment on competition within an industry or industries in Viet Nam;
- The compatibility of the investment with national industrial, economic and cultural policies, taking into consideration industrial, economic and cultural policy objectives enunciated by the government or legislature of any province likely to be significantly affected by the investment; and
- The contribution of the investment to Viet Nam's ability to compete in world markets.

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<sup>6</sup> Foreign investors do not have to comply with all the criteria to obtain the mining license.



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<b>Sector:</b>	Oil and Gas
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Oil and Gas exploration, prospecting and exploitation
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4) Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Article 9.5) Performance Requirement (Article 9.9)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	The Petroleum Law 1993 The 2000 Law Amending and Supplementing a Number of Articles of the Petroleum Law 1993 The 2008 Law Amending and Supplementing a Number of Articles of the Petroleum Law 1993, which was amended and supplemented under Law 19/2000/QH10 Amending and Supplementing a Number of Articles of the Petroleum Law.
<b>Description:</b>	<p><u>Investment</u></p> <p>Viet Nam Oil and Gas Group (PetroVietnam) is the sole authorized company with respect to oil and gas exploration, prospecting and exploitation. A contract with PetroVietnam is required for oil and gas activities in Viet Nam. Sub-contracts may be awarded to foreign contractors, but priority may be given to Vietnamese organizations and individuals.</p> <p>The execution of oil and gas contracts and their transfer to another entity must be approved by the Prime Minister.</p> <p>In special cases<sup>7</sup>, the following matters are also subject to the Prime Minister's approval: i) the extension of the prospecting period or the term of an oil and gas contract; and ii) the suspension time limit, not to exceed three years, in cases where the parties to an oil and gas contract negotiate to suspend the execution of a number of rights and obligations under an oil and gas contract when circumstances do not allow for prompt execution of the contract.</p> <p>PetroVietnam has the preemptive right to buy part or all of an oil and gas contract to be transferred.</p> <p>Foreign investors may only supply flight operation services for oil and gas activities through joint venture contracts with Vietnamese companies.</p>

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<sup>7</sup> For special cases, the Government shall prescribe conditions for suspending the execution of a number of rights and obligations under an oil and as contract, and conditions and procedures for extending exploration and prospecting period or the term of an oil and gas contract.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Business Services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Asset Appraisal
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Decree No 89/2013/NĐ-CP dated August 6, 2013 promulgating the implementation of some articles of the Law on Price on price appraisal
<b>Description:</b>	<p><u>Investment</u></p> <p>Foreign organizations may not provide asset appraisal services except:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- when they are organisations legally established and providing asset appraisal services in their local country, and</li><li>- in partnership with a Vietnamese asset appraisal enterprise through a limited liability company with two or more members, or a joint stock company.</li></ul> <p>Foreign individuals are not permitted to provide asset appraisal services.</p>

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<b>Sector:</b>	Real Estate
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Law No 66/2014/QH13 dated November 25, 2014 on Real Estate Business

**Description:** Investment

With respect to the construction, lease, purchase, lease purchase, and transfer of real estate properties, the Law on Real Estate Business provides more limited rights to foreign entities than Vietnamese entities. Foreign invested enterprises may only:

- a) With respect to residential real estate
  - Construct residential real estate for sale, lease, or lease-purchase on land allocated by the State;
  - Construct residential real estate for lease on land leased by the State.
  - Purchase, lease-purchase, or rent commercial residential real estate in housing development investment projects;
  - Rent residential real-estate for sublease;
  - Obtain the transfer of residential real estate projects, partly or as a whole, to construct residential buildings for sale or for lease;
- b) With respect to commercial real estate
  - Construct commercial buildings for sale, lease, or lease-purchase on land leased by the State;
  - Construct commercial buildings on land which is leased out in industrial parks, industrial complexes, export-processing zones, hi-tech zones, or economic zones for trading for their proper land use;
  - Purchase or lease purchase commercial real estate for use according to their proper utility;
  - Rent commercial real estate for use or sublease;
  - Obtain the transfer of commercial real estate projects, partly or as a whole, to construct commercial buildings for sale or for lease;

For greater certainty, foreign invested enterprises may also supply real estate brokerage services; real estate exchange floors, real estate consulting services, and real estate management services, with respect to both residential and commercial real estate.

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For greater certainty, foreign invested enterprises, foreign individuals and organizations are only allowed to carry out activities enumerated above.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Security systems services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Decree No. 52/2008/ND-CP dated 22 April, 2008 on management of security service business
<b>Description:</b>	<p><u>Investment</u></p> <p>Foreign investment is not permitted except through a joint venture with foreign equity not exceeding 49 percent.</p> <p>Foreign enterprises may not provide security system services unless they are enterprises with expertise in security system service business, have capital amounts and total asset value of USD 500,000 or more, have operated for five consecutive years or more, and have not violated the laws of the host or relevant countries. Foreign individuals are not permitted to provide security system services.</p> <p>Foreigners may not be employed as security personnel.</p>

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**Sector:** Air transportation, including domestic and international air transportation services

**Sub - sector:**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Article 9.4)  
Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 9.10)

**Level of Government:** National

**Measure:** Decree No. 30/2013/ND-CP dated 8 April 2013

**Description:** Investment

Aggregate foreign capital contribution or equity is restricted to no more than 30 percent of chartered capital or shares of a Vietnamese airline. A Vietnamese individual or legal person who is not a foreign invested enterprise must hold the largest percentage of chartered capital or shares in the airline.

At least 2/3 of the total members of the executive board of a foreign invested airline established in Vietnam must be Vietnamese. The Director General (or Director), the legal representative of a foreign invested airline established in Viet Nam, must be Vietnamese.

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<b>Sector:</b>	Education Services
<b>Sub - sector:</b>	Primary Education Services Secondary Education Services
<b>Obligations Concerned:</b>	National Treatment (Article 9.4)
<b>Level of Government:</b>	National
<b>Measure:</b>	Decree No.73/2012/ND-CP dated 26 September 2012
<b>Description:</b>	<p><u>Investment</u></p> <p>Foreign investment in the above-mentioned services is not permitted except through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Preschool education institutions using foreign educational programs for foreign children;</li><li>- Compulsory education institutions using foreign educational programs, issuing foreign qualifications, for foreign students and part of Vietnamese students.</li></ul> <p>The compulsory education institutions may enrol Vietnamese students, but the number of Vietnamese students in primary schools and middle schools shall not exceed 10 percent of the total number of students, and that in high schools shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of students.</p>