ANNEX 4-I(B)

SINGAPORE'S RESERVATIONS TO CHAPTER 7 (CROSS-BORDER TRADE IN SERVICES) AND CHAPTER 8 (INVESTMENT)

Sector: All

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Investment)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: This is an administrative policy of the Government of Singapore

and is inscribed in the Memorandum and Articles of Association

of PSA Corporation.

Description: <u>Investment</u>

The aggregate of foreign shareholdings in PSA Corporation or

its successor body is subject to a 49 per cent limit.

The "aggregate of foreign shareholdings" is defined as the total

number of shares owned by:

(a) any individual who is not a Singapore citizen;

(b) any corporation which is not more than 50 per cent owned

by Singapore citizens or by the Singapore Government; or

(c) any other enterprise which is not owned or controlled by the

Singapore Government.

Sector: All

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Investment)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: This is an administrative policy of the Government of Singapore

and is inscribed in the Memorandum and Articles of Association

of the relevant enterprises below.

Description: <u>Investment</u>

All individual investors, apart from the Singapore government, will be subject to the following equity ownership limits in the enterprises, or its successor bodies, as listed below:

(a) Singapore Technologies Engineering – 15 per cent;

(b) PSA Corporation – 5 per cent; and

(c) Singapore Airlines – 5 per cent.

For the purposes of this entry, ownership of equity by an investor in these enterprises or its successor bodies includes both direct and indirect ownership of equity.

Sector: All

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Business Registration Act, Cap. 32

Business Registration Regulations

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Where a person required to be registered under the *Business Registration Act*, Cap. 32, 2001 Rev Ed, is, or, in the case of any corporation, the directors are, or the secretary of the corporation is, not ordinarily resident in Singapore, a local manager¹ must

be appointed.

¹ Persons who qualify to be appointed in such a capacity are primarily Singapore nationals and EntrePass holders (all with local addresses).

Sector: Business Services

Sub-Sector: Leasing or rental services concerning private cars, goods

transport vehicles and other land transport equipment without

operator

Industry Classification: CPC 83101, 83102, 83105 Leasing or rental services

concerning private cars, goods transport vehicles and other land

transport equipment without operator

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services)

Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Road Traffic Act, Cap. 276, 2004 Rev Ed

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

The cross-border rental of private cars, goods transport vehicles and other land transport equipment without operator by Singapore residents with the intent to use the vehicles in

Singapore is prohibited.

Sector: Business Services

Sub-Sector: Patent agent services

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Local Presence

Measures: Patents Act, Cap. 221, 2005 Rev Ed

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only service suppliers registered with the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) or its successor body and resident in Singapore shall be allowed to carry on a business, practise or

act as a patent agent in Singapore.

Only service suppliers which have at least one Singaporeregistered patent agent resident in Singapore either as a director or partner, shall be allowed to carry on a business, practise or

act as a patent agent in Singapore.

Sector: Business Services

Sub-Sector: Placement and supply services of personnel

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Employment Agencies Act, Cap. 92

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only service suppliers with local presence shall be allowed to set up employment agencies and place foreign workers in

Singapore.

Sector: Business Services

Sub-Sector: Private investigation services

Unarmed guard services

Industry Classification: CPC 87301 Investigation Services

CPC 87302 Security Consultation Services

CPC 87305 Guard Services (only applies to unarmed security guard

services)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services

and Investment) Market Access Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Private Security Industry Act, Cap. 250A, 2008 Rev Ed

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Foreigners are permitted to set up security agencies to provide unarmed guards for hire but must register a company with local participation. At least two of the directors must be a Singapore

national.

Foreigners, except Malaysians, shall not be allowed to work as guards, but can be involved in the administration of the company.

The foreign directors shall produce a certificate of no criminal conviction from their country of origin or a statutory declaration before a Singapore commissioner of oaths, to the effect that they have never been convicted in any court of law for any criminal

offence.

Sector: Community, Personal and Social Services

Sub-Sector: Services furnished by co-operative societies

Industry Classification: CPC 959 Services furnished by membership organizations n.e.c (only

applies to co-operative society services)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Senior Management and Boards of Directors

Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Existing Measures: Co-operative Societies Act, Cap. 62, 2009 Rev Ed

Co-operative Societies Rules 2009

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only service suppliers with a local presence can be registered under the *Co-operative Societies Act*. Registration allows a co-operative society to be exempt from taxation measures applicable to other enterprises. Instead, co-operative societies are required to make a two-tier contribution of their surplus to the Central Co-operative Fund (CCF) and CCF/Singapore Labour Foundation respectively as the

society may opt.

As a general rule, only Singapore citizens are allowed to hold office or be a member of the management committee of a co-operative society. Foreigners may be allowed to hold office or be a member of the management committee of a co-operative society, with the approval of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies.

A person who is not a Singapore citizen can form and join a cooperative society if he or she is resident in Singapore. **Sector:** Education Services

Sub-Sector: Higher education services in relation to the training of doctors

Industry Classification: CPC 92390 Other Higher Education Services

(Only applies to Higher Education Services in relation to the training

of doctors)

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment) Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Medical Registration Act, Part V, Specialist Accreditation Board,

Sections 2, 3, 34 and 35

Private Education Act, Cap. 247A, 2011 Rev Ed

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only local tertiary institutions which are established pursuant to an Act of Parliament, or as designated by the Ministry of Education shall be allowed to operate undergraduate or graduate programmes

for the training of doctors in Singapore.

Currently, only the National University of Singapore and the Nanyang Technological University are allowed to operate undergraduate or graduate programmes for the training of doctors in

Singapore.

Sector: Health and Social Services

Sub-Sector: Medical services

Pharmacy services

Deliveries and related services, nursing services, physiotherapeutic

and para-medical services and allied health services

Optometrists and opticians

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: *Medical Registration Act*, Cap. 174

Pharmacists Registration Act, Cap. 230

Medicines Act, Cap. 176,

Medicines (Registration of Pharmacies) Regulations, Cap. 176,

Regulation 4

Nurses and Midwives Act, Cap. 209

Allied Health Professions Act, Act 1 of 2011 Optometrists and Opticians Act, Cap. 213A

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only persons who are resident in Singapore are allowed to provide the following services: medical services, pharmacy services, deliveries and related services, nursing services, physiotherapeutic and para-medical services and allied health services and optometry

and opticianry services.

Sector: Import, export and trading services

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Regulation of Imports and Exports Act, Cap. 272A

Regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only services suppliers with local presence shall be allowed to apply for import/export permits, certificates of origin or other trade

documents from the relevant authorities.

Sector: Postal Services

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Market Access

Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Postal Services Act, Cap. 237A

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

For the provision of basic letter services, all service suppliers must be incorporated as companies under the *Companies Act*, Cap. 50,

2006 Rev Ed.

Sector: Telecommunications Services

Sub-Sector: Telecommunications services

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Market Access

Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Info-communications Development Authority of Singapore Act,

Cap. 137A

Telecommunications Act, Cap. 323

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

1. Facilities-based operators and service-based operators must be locally incorporated under the *Companies Act*, Cap. 50, 2006 Rev Ed.

"Facilities-based operators" are operators who deploy any form of telecommunication networks, systems and facilities, outside of their own property boundaries, to offer telecommunication services to third parties, which may include other licensed telecommunication operators, business customers, or the general public.

"Services-based operators" are operators who lease telecommunication network elements (such as transmission capacity and switching services) from any Facilities-Based Operator (FBO) licensed by the IDA so as to provide their own telecommunication services, or to resell the telecommunication services of FBOs to third parties.

2. The number of licences granted will be limited only by resource constraints, such as the availability of radio frequency spectrum. In view of spectrum constraints, parties interested in deploying networks based on wireless technology may be licensed to use radio frequency spectrum via a tender or auction process.

Sector: Telecommunications Services

Sub-Sector: Telecommunications services

Domain name allocation policies in Internet country code top level domains (ccTLDs) corresponding to Singapore territories

(.sg)

Industry Classification: -

Obligations concerned: Market Access

Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Info-communications Development Authority of Singapore Act,

Cap. 137A

Telecommunications Act, Cap. 323

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), which recognises the ultimate authority of sovereign Governments over ccTLDs corresponding to their territories.

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

A registrar must be a company incorporated or a foreign company registered under the *Companies Act*, Cap. 50, 2006

Rev Ed.

Sector: Power Supply

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Electricity Act, Cap. 89A, 2002 Rev Ed, Sections 6(1) and 9(1)

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Power producers shall not be allowed to sell power directly to consumers and shall only sell power through the Singapore electricity wholesale market operators licensed by the Energy

Market Authority.

The amount of power supplied cumulatively by power producers located outside of Singapore to Singapore's wholesale power market

shall not exceed 600 MW.

Sector: Power Supply

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Electricity Act, Cap. 89A, 2002 Rev Ed, Sections 6(1) and 9(1)

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only a Market Support Service Licensee shall be allowed to supply

electricity to:

(a) all household consumers of electricity; and

(b) non-household consumers of electricity whose average monthly

consumption is below 4,000 kWh.

Sector: Power Transmission and Distribution

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Electricity Act, Cap. 89A, 2002 Rev Ed, Sections 6(1) and 9(1)

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only a Transmission Licensee shall be the owner and operator

of the electricity transmission and distribution network in

Singapore.

Sector: Tourism and Travel Related Services

Sub-Sector: Food or beverage serving services in eating facilities run by the

government

Food or beverage catering services

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)
Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Environmental Public Health Act, Cap. 95, 2002 Rev Ed

Description: Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only a Singapore national can apply for a licence to operate a stall in government-run markets or hawker centres, in their

personal capacity.

To supply food or beverage catering services in Singapore, a foreign service supplier must incorporate as a limited company in Singapore, and apply for the food establishment licence in the

name of the limited company.

Sector: Sewage and Refuse Disposal, Sanitation and other

Environmental Protection Services

Sub-Sector: Waste management, including collection, disposal, and treatment

of hazardous waste

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Market Access

Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Environmental Public Health Act, Cap. 95

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Foreign service suppliers must be locally incorporated in

Singapore.

The public waste collectors (PWCs) rendering services to domestic and trade premises are appointed by public competitive tender. The number of PWCs is limited by the number of geographical sectors in Singapore. For industrial and commercial waste, the market is opened to any licensed general waste

collectors (GWCs).

Sector: Trade Services

Sub-Sector: Distribution and Sale of Hazardous Substances

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Environmental Protection and Management Act, Cap. 94A, 2002

Rev Ed, Section 22

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only service suppliers with a local presence shall be allowed to distribute and sell hazardous substances as defined in the

Environmental Protection and Management Act.

Singapore reserves the right and flexibility to modify or increase the

list of hazardous substances as defined or listed in the Environmental

Protection and Management Act.

Sector: Trade Services

Sub-Sector: Distribution services

Retailing services

Wholesale trade services

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: *Medicines Act*, Cap. 176, 1985 Rev Ed

Health Products Act, Cap. 122D, 2008 Rev Ed

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only service suppliers with a local presence shall be allowed to supply wholesale, retail and distribution services for medical and health-related products and materials as defined under the *Medicines Act* and *Health Products Act*, intended for purposes such as treating, alleviating, preventing or diagnosing any medical condition, disease or injury, as well as any other such items that may have an impact on the health and well-being of the human body.

Such products and materials include but are not limited to drugs and pharmaceuticals, traditional medicines, health supplements, diagnostic test kits, medical devices, cosmetics, tobacco products, radioactive materials and irradiating apparatuses.

Singapore reserves the right and flexibility to modify or increase the list of medical and health-related products and materials as defined or listed in the *Medicines Act* and *Health Products Act*.

Sector: Transport Services

Sub-Sector: Air Transport Services - Ground Handling Services (including but

not limited to cargo handling services)

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)
Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore Act, Cap. 41, 1985 Rev Ed

Description: Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only Singapore Airport Terminal Services (SATS) and Changi International Airport Services (CIAS) and/or their respective successor bodies shall be allowed to provide ground handling services, including but not limited to cargo handling services at

airports.

Sector: Transport Services

Sub-Sector: Air transport services

Passengers transportation by air Freight transportation by air

Industry Classification: CPC 731 Passenger Transportation by Air

CPC 732 Freight Transportation by Air

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Investment) Senior Management and Boards of Directors

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Air Navigation (Licensing of Air Services) Regulations, Cap. 6,

Regulation 2

Description: <u>Investment</u>

Service suppliers providing air transport services (for both passenger and freight) as a Singapore designated airline shall have to comply with the "effective control" and/or "substantial ownership" requirements of Singapore's bilateral and multilateral air services

agreements.

Compliance with the requirements of these agreements may require these service suppliers to comply with conditions on effective control and limits on the foreign ownership as stipulated in Singapore's bilateral and multilateral air services agreements. **Sector:** Transport Services

Sub-Sector: Maritime transport services

Cargo handling services

Pilotage Services

Supply of desalinated water to ships berthed at Singapore ports

or in Singapore territorial waters

Industry Classification: CPC 741 Cargo Handling Services

CPC 74520 Pilotage and Berthing Services (only applies to

Pilotage Services)

CPC 74590 Other Supporting Services for Water Transport

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)
Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act, Cap. 170A, 1997

Rev Ed, Section 81

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only PSA Corporation Ltd and Jurong Port Pte Ltd or their

respective successor bodies shall be allowed to provide cargo

handling services.

Only PSA Marine Pte Ltd or its successor body shall be allowed to provide pilotage services and supply desalinated water to ships berthed at Singapore ports or in Singapore territorial waters.

Sector: Transport Services

Sub-Sector: Maritime transport services

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act, Cap. 170A, 1997 Rev

Ed, Section 81

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only local service suppliers shall be allowed to operate and manage

cruise and ferry terminals.

Local service suppliers are either Singapore citizens or legal persons

which are more than 50 per cent owned by Singapore citizens.

Sector: Transportation and Distribution of Manufactured Gas and Natural

Gas

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment) Market Access

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Gas Act, Cap. 116A, 2002 Rev Ed

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Only the holder of a gas transporter licence shall be allowed to

transport and distribute manufactured and natural gas.

Only one gas transport licence has been issued given the size of the

Singapore market.

Sector: Manufacturing and Services Incidental to Manufacturing

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services

and Investment)

Prohibition of Performance Requirements

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Control of Manufacture Act, Cap. 57, 2004 Rev Ed

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

The manufacture of the following products, and services incidental to the manufacture of these products, in Singapore, may be subject

to certain restrictions:

(a) beer and stout;

(b) cigars;

(c) drawn steel products;

(d) chewing gum, bubble gum, dental chewing gum or any like substance (not being a medicinal product within the meaning of the *Medicines Act*, Cap. 176, or a substance in respect of which an order under section 54 of the Act has been made);

(e) cigarettes; and

(f) matches.

Sector: All

Sub-Sector: -

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Banking Act, Cap. 19, MAS Notice 757

Monetary Authority of Singapore Act, Cap. 186, MAS Notice

1105

Finance Companies Act, Cap. 108, MAS Notice 816

Insurance Act, Cap. 142, MAS Notice 109

Securities and Futures Act, Cap. 289, MAS Notice SFA 04-N04

Description: <u>Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

A non-resident financial institution may in certain circumstances be unable to borrow in Singapore dollars more than S\$5 million from a resident financial institution owing to the following restrictions placed on financial institutions' lending of the Singapore dollar to non-resident financial institutions.

A financial institution shall not extend to any non-resident financial institution Singapore dollar credit facilities exceeding S\$5 million per non-resident financial institution:

- (a) where the Singapore dollar proceeds are to be used outside of Singapore, unless:
- (i) such proceeds are swapped or converted into foreign currency upon draw-down or before remittance abroad; or
- (ii) such proceeds are for the purpose of preventing settlement failures where the financial institution extends a temporary Singapore dollar overdraft to any vostro account of any nonresident financial institution, and the financial institution takes reasonable efforts to ensure that the overdraft is covered within two business days; and
- (b) where there is reason to believe that the Singapore dollar proceeds may be used for Singapore dollar currency speculation, regardless of whether the Singapore dollar proceeds are to be used in Singapore or outside of Singapore.

A financial institution shall not arrange Singapore dollar equity or bond issues for any non-resident financial institution where the Singapore dollar proceeds are to be used outside Singapore, unless the proceeds are swapped or converted into foreign currency upon draw-down or before remittance abroad.

"Non-residents financial institution" means any financial institution which is not a resident as defined in the relevant notice.

Sector: Business Services

Sub-Sector: Credit bureau services

Industry Classification: -

Obligations Concerned: Market Access

Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Administrative measure pursuant to the Monetary Authority of

Singapore Act, Cap. 186

Description: <u>Cross-Border Trade in Services</u>

Singapore reserves the right to limit the number of suppliers of credit bureau services where information provided by the supplier of credit bureau services is obtained from financial institutions in Singapore.

The supplier must be established in Singapore.

Sector Business Services

Sub-Sector Legal Services

Industry Classification -

Obligations Concerned National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services

and Investment) Market Access Local Presence

Level of Government: Central

Measures: Legal Profession Act, Cap. 161

Description: Investment and Cross Border Trade in Services

Australian law practices shall apply for licensing as foreign law practices (as defined under Singapore law) for their practice of Australian law, international law and/or third country law with offices in Singapore, and upon obtaining such licence, they can employ:

- (i) qualified foreign lawyers (as defined under Singapore law) of any nationality to practise Australian law, international law and/or third country law;
- (ii) Singapore lawyers (as defined under Singapore law) to practise only Australian law, international law and/or third country law but not Singapore law; and
- (iii) non-legally trained local staff in their Singapore offices.

Australian lawyers shall apply for registration as foreign lawyers for their practice of Australian law, international law and/or third country law with physical presence in Singapore in order to work in foreign law practices (either from Australia or any other jurisdiction) in Singapore.

Australian lawyers who are registered as foreign lawyers for the practice of Australian law, international law and/or third country law with local presence in Singapore and are working in foreign law practices (either from Australia or any other jurisdiction) in Singapore shall be allowed to participate in international commercial arbitration proceedings in Singapore by:

- (i) representing any party in arbitration proceedings; and
- (ii) engaging in the giving of advice, preparation of documents or any other assistance in relation to or arising out of arbitration proceedings except for the right of audience in Singapore court proceedings.

Australian law practices may provide legal services in relation to Singapore law through a Joint Law Venture or Formal Law Alliance with a Singapore law practice, only to the extent allowed by the laws, rules, and regulations concerning Joint Law Ventures and Formal Law Alliances, and subject to the conditions and requirements relating to Joint Law Ventures and Formal Law Alliances. However, Singapore undertakes to waive and modify the following statutory conditions governing Joint Law Ventures and Formal Law Alliances for any Australian law practice which is licensed as a foreign law practice in Singapore:

In relation to Rule 51(2)(b) and Rule 54(1)(b) of the Legal Profession (Law Practice Entities) Rules 2015:

- (i) the minimum number of Australian lawyers resident in Singapore which the Australian law practice is required to maintain in a Joint Law Venture or a Formal Law Alliance shall be reduced from 5 to 3;
- (ii) the minimum relevant legal expertise and experience in the permitted areas of legal practice required of the 3 Australian lawyers referred to in subparagraph (i) shall be considered on an aggregate basis of 15 years for all 3 Australian lawyers, rather than on the basis of 5 years for each Australian lawyer; and

In relation to Rule 5(1)(g) of the Legal Profession (Regulated Individuals) Rules 2015:

(iii) the minimum relevant legal expertise and experience in the permitted areas of legal practice required for Australian lawyers working in a Joint Law Venture who wish to apply to practise Singapore law under the Legal Profession Act shall be maintained at 3 years.