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THE THRESHOLD IN ARTICLE I:1(b) OF THE AGREEMENT AS EXPRESSED IN NATIONAL CURRENCIES FOR 1990-91

Addendum

HONG KONG

The Hong Kong dollar threshold for 1990-91 will be $\underline{HK\$1,338,000}$. This value has been determined by the Hong Kong Trade Department in accordance with the agreed guidelines of the Committee.

ISRAEL

Due to the special economic situation in Israel, the Government of Israel has decided that the threshold for its purchases covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement will be nominated in US dollars. The equivalent threshold of SDR 130,000 mentioned in Article I:1(b) of the Agreement, for the period 1 April 1990 to 31 March 1992 will be <u>US\$172,000</u> provided there are no major changes in the exchange rates.

JAPAN

The Japanese yen threshold for the period of 1 April 1990 to 31 March 1992 will be $\frac{4}{22,000,000}$.

NORWAY

On the basis of IMF data for the period October 1987-September 1989 the average exchange rate for one SDR has been calculated at NOK 8.78. This gives a Norwegian threshold for the years 1990 and 1991 of NOK 1,141,000, rounded down to NOK 1,140,000.

SINGAPORE

The threshold of SDR 130,000 expressed in Singapore dollars is \$\frac{\$\\$\\$338,000}{\$}\$ for the two-year period 1 April 1990-31 March 1992.

SWEDEN

The delegation of Sweden informed the Committee at its meeting of 9 March 1990 that the Swedish threshold for 1990-91 is <u>SEK 1,071,200</u> (1SDR = 8.240 SEK).

SWITZERLAND

The delegation of Switzerland informed the Committee at its meeting of 9 March 1990 that the Swiss threshold for 1990-91 is <u>Sw F 263,000</u>.

EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY

The delegation of the European Economic Community informed the Committee at its meeting of 9 March 1990 that the relevant conversion factors had been published in the EC's Official Journal on 25 January 1990

The secretariat has reproduced the following information relating to the Agreement on Government Frocurement contained in Official Journal No. C/18 of that date.

Value of public supply contracts covered by Council Directive 77/62/EEC, as amended by Directive 88/295/EEC, and by the Agreement on Government Procurement concluded within the framework of the GATT, as modified by the Protocol of 2 February 1987 and approved by Council Decision 87/565/EEC.

The minimum value of contracts specified in the second indent of Article 5 (la) Directive 77/62/EEC is ECU 134,000 for the period 1 January 1990 to 31 December 1991.

National currency amount for one ECU, applicable as from 1 January 1990:

Belgian franc/Luxembourg franc	43.4863
Danish krone	8.06270
German mark	2.07586
Greek drachma	176.638
French franc	7.04637
Dutch guilder	2.34156
Irish pound	0.777550
Italian lira	1,515.57
Pound sterling	0.662098
Spanish peseta	131.203
Portuguese escudo	172.571