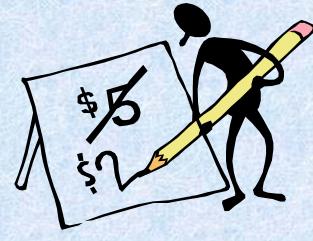


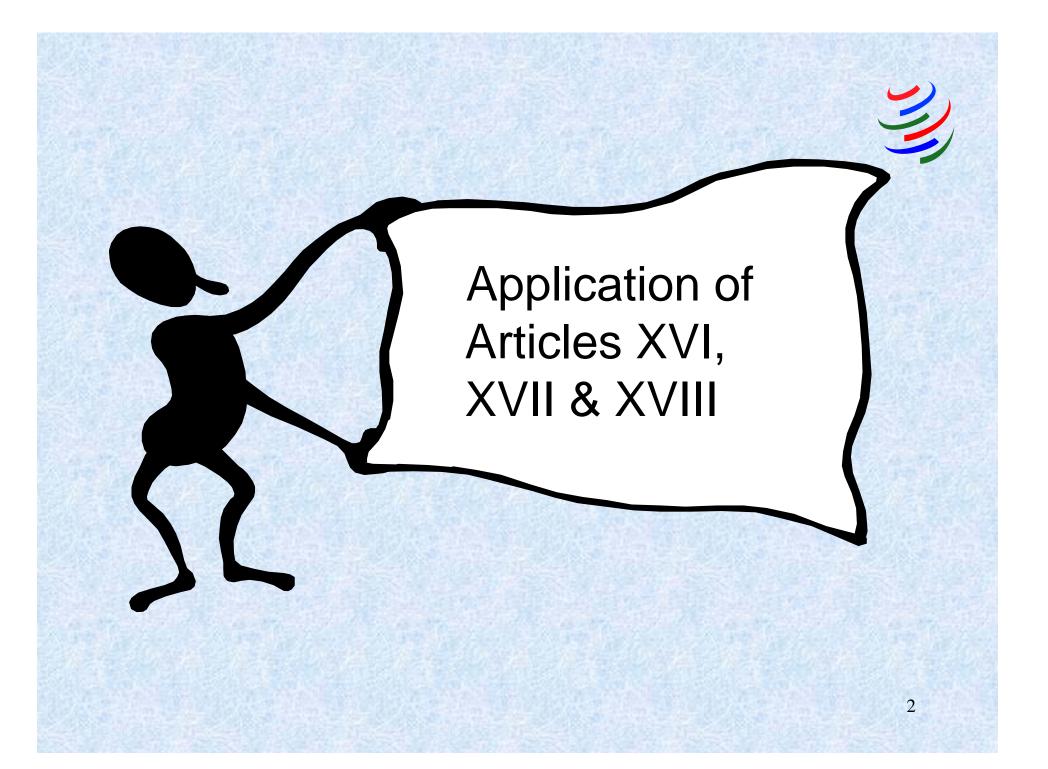
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THE "ART OF SCHEDULING"

- An Introduction II -



Trade in Services Division WTO



Basic Obligation (I):

"Each Member shall set out in a schedule the specific commitments it undertakes under Part III of the Agreement." (Art. XX:1)

<u>Note</u>: Structure of schedules, number of commitments, sectors covered or levels of liberalization are not defined in GATS.

Scope and coverage of specific commitments

Article XVI (Market Access)

All measures, whether discriminatory or not, falling under one of six categories

Article XVII (National Treatment)

All (other) measures discriminating against services or service suppliers of any other Member.

Article XVIII (Additional Commitments) Non-discriminatory measures not falling under Article XVI or XVII.

How Schedules of Commitments

Modes of supply: 1) Cross-border supply 2) Consumption abroad 3) Commercial presence 4) Presence of natural persons

| Sector or subsector | Limitations on market access | Limitations on national treatment | Additional commitments |
|---------------------|---|--|------------------------|
| Life insurance | 1) Unbound, except for the supply of life insurance to foreign persons residing in | 1) None | |
| | 2) Unbound, except for the supply of life insurance to foreign persons residing in | 2) None | |
| | 3) None | 3) None | |
| | 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section | 4) Unbound except as indicated in the horizontal section | |

How to describe services sectors?

- There is no compulsory system
 - Members can use their own classification system
 - only requirement: greatest possible degree of clarity!
- There are two reference instruments:
 - Services Sectoral Classification List (W/120)
 - UN Central Product Classification List (CPC)

How to reduce sector coverage? (Exclusion of 'public-service' segments)

| Sector or subsector | Limitations on market access | Limitations on national treatment | Additional commitments |
|--|--|---|------------------------|
| A. <u>Primary</u> Education | 1) Unbound 2) None | 1) Unbound 2) None | |
| Services | 3) Joint schools will be | None Unbound | |
| (CPC 921, excluding national compulsory education in CPC | established, with foreign majority ownership permitted | | |
| 92190)) | 4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal | 4) | |
| Alternatively: " excluding publicly owned and publicly | Commitments | | |
| funded facilities" etc. | | | |

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Obligation (II):

ommitments are undertaken, edule shall specify: Imitations and conditions on access" (Art. XX:1(a))

cus is on measures limiting market ther than on implementation ms (e.g. licensing requirements) or tws and regulations.

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