

ANNEX 11-B
MOVEMENT OF NATURAL PERSONS SUPPLYING SERVICES

ARTICLE 1: SCOPE

This Annex applies to measures by a Party affecting the movement of natural persons of the other Party, as provided for in the Party's schedule of specific commitments.

ARTICLE 2: GENERAL PRINCIPLES

This Annex reflects the preferential trading relationship between the Parties, the common objective to facilitate entry, temporary stay and work of highly skilled natural persons on a mutually advantageous basis in accordance with the Parties' schedules of specific commitments, and the need of establishing transparent, secure, effective and comprehensive information regarding entry, temporary stay and work.

ARTICLE 3: PROVISION OF INFORMATION

1. In the application of Article 11.10, each Party shall make publicly available, or shall ensure that its competent authorities make publicly available, information necessary for an effective application for the grant of entry, temporary stay and work in its territory of natural persons covered by this Annex. Such information shall be kept updated.
2. No later than 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Agreement, each Party shall prepare, publish or otherwise make available, explanatory material in English regarding the requirements for temporary entry of executives, managers and specialists, in such a manner as will enable business persons of the other Party to become acquainted with them.
3. Information referred to in paragraph 1 shall include in particular descriptions of:
 - (a) all categories of visas and work permits relevant to the entry, temporary stay and work of natural persons covered by this Annex;
 - (b) requirements and procedures for application for, and issuance of, first-time entry, temporary stay and, where applicable, work permits, including information on documentation required, conditions to be met and method of filing; and
 - (c) requirements and procedures for application for, and issuance of, renewed temporary stay and, where applicable, work permits.
4. Each Party shall provide the other Party with details of relevant publications or web-sites where information referred to in paragraph 3 is made available.

ARTICLE 4: WORKING GROUP

1. The Parties hereby establish a Temporary Entry Working Group, comprising representatives of each Party, including migration officials and of the contact points which shall meet, when necessary, to consider matters pertaining to this Annex.
2. The Working Group shall:
 - (a) consider the implementation and administration of this Annex;
 - (b) consider the development and adoption of common criteria and interpretations for the implementation of this Annex;
 - (c) consider the development and implementation of measures to further facilitate temporary entry of natural persons in accordance with the Party's schedule of specific commitments on a reciprocal basis; and
 - (d) consider any measures of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 5: CONTACT POINTS

1. Each Party shall establish Contact Points to facilitate the implementation and provide the information relating to this Annex, when reasonably requested by the Contact Point of the other Party.
2. The contact points referred to in paragraph 1 are:
 - (a) For the Republic of Colombia:

Coordinador
Coordinación de Visas e Inmigración
Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores
 - (b) for the State of Israel:

Director
Registry and Status Division Population and Migration Authority
Ministry of Interior

or their respective successors.

ARTICLE 6: EXPEDITIOUS APPLICATION PROCEDURES

1. The competent authorities of each Party shall expeditiously process, taking into account necessary procedures and the relevant circumstances, applications for granting entry, temporary stay or work permits submitted by service suppliers of the other Party, in

accordance with its schedule of specific commitments, including applications for extension thereof.

2. Where the competent authorities of a Party require additional information from the applicant in order to process his or her application, they shall notify the applicant, or his or her legal representative in the territory of the Party providing the notification, without undue delay.

3. Upon request of the applicant, the competent authorities of a Party shall provide, without undue delay, information concerning the status of his or her application.

4. The competent authorities of each Party shall promptly notify the applicant for entry, temporary stay or work permit, of the outcome of his or her application, after a decision has been made. The notification shall include the approved period of stay and any other terms and conditions.

ARTICLE 7: TRANSPARENCY AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS

1. Each Party shall establish or maintain appropriate mechanisms to respond to inquiries from interested persons regarding applications and procedures relating to the temporary entry of natural persons in accordance with the Party's schedule of specific commitments.

2. Each Party shall endeavor to, within a reasonable period of time that should not exceed a reasonable amount of days after an application requesting temporary entry is considered complete under its domestic law, inform the applicant of the decision concerning his or her application.