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Annex VII(B) - Mexico

Commercial banks	25%
Securities firms	30%

If applied, such a restriction will have a duration not to exceed a period of 3 years.

10. Mexico may deny a license to establish a foreign financial affiliate during the transition period (and, in the case of paragraph 9 of this Section, during the additional periods described in that paragraph) if after such issuance the sum of the authorized capital of all foreign financial affiliates of the same type would exceed the applicable percentage limit for that type of institution in paragraph 5, 6, 8 or 9 of this Section.

11. The provisions of the following paragraphs 12 through 17 of this Section shall apply immediately upon the entry into force of this Agreement and at all times thereafter, except as otherwise specifically provided in such paragraphs. Any amendment or modification to a measure adopted or maintained pursuant to paragraphs 12 through 15 of this Section shall not decrease the conformity of the measure, as it existed immediately before such amendment or modification, with Articles 1403 through 1408 of this Agreement.

12. Mexico may require that a foreign financial affiliate (other than a foreign insurance affiliate) be wholly-owned by an investor of another Party (except for directors' nominal qualifying shares). Mexico may also restrict any foreign financial affiliate from establishing agencies, branches, or other direct or indirect subsidiaries in the territory of any other country.

13. Following the transition period, acquisition of a commercial bank established in Mexico, or of the assets or liabilities thereof, by an investor of another Party will only be authorized by Mexico, subject to reasonable prudential considerations on a case by case basis, if the sum of the capital of the acquired commercial bank and the capital of any foreign commercial bank affiliate already controlled by the acquiror would not exceed 4% of the aggregate capital of all commercial banks in Mexico.

14. Mexico may adopt measures that (i) limit eligibility to establish a foreign financial affiliate in Mexico to an investor of another Party that is, directly or through any of its affiliates, engaged in the same general type of financial services in the territory of the other Party; and (ii) limit such investor (together with its affiliates) to no more than one institution of the same type in Mexico. In determining what types of operations an investor of another Party is engaged in for purposes of the preceding sentence, all types of insurance shall be considered to be only one type of financial service; but both life and non-life insurance

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