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Article I
Scope and Definitions

1. This Annex shall apply to measures by a Party affecting trade in telecommunications services. It shall not apply to measures by a Party affecting broadcasting services as defined in its laws and regulations.

Note 1: "Trade in telecommunications services" shall be understood in accordance with the definition contained in paragraph (t) of Article 44.

Note 2: Articles II to VIII of this Annex shall only apply to basic telecommunications services.

Note 3: In respect of Japan, "broadcasting services" includes "radio and television services" and "radio and television transmission services" under the GATS Services Sectoral Classification List (MTN.GNS/W/120).

2. For the purposes of this Annex:

(a) "essential facilities" means facilities of a public telecommunications transport network or service that:

(i) are exclusively or predominantly provided by a single or limited number of suppliers; and