5. Independent regulators

The regulatory body is separate from, and not accountable to, any supplier of basic telecommunications services. The decisions of and the procedures used by regulators shall be impartial with respect to all market participants.

6. Allocation and use of scarce resources

Any procedures for the allocation and use of scarce resources, including frequencies, numbers and rights of way, will be carried out in an objective, timely, transparent, and non-discriminatory manner. The current state of allocated frequency bands will be made publicly available, but detailed identification of frequencies allocated for specific government uses is not required.

APPENDIX
VIET NAM'S MOST-FAVOURED-NATION TREATMENT SECTORAL EXEMPTION LIST

Sectors or subsectors	Description of measures (to be applied to sector) indicating its inconsistency with Article 8.6 (Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment)	Countries to which the measures applied	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the MFN exemption
All sectors Commercial presence.	Measures extending preferential treatment pursuant to bilateral investment treaties.	All countries that have signed bilateral investment treaties with Viet Nam.	Indefinite	Foster investment in Viet Nam.
Audiovisual services - Production, distribution and projection of television programmes and cinematographic works.	Measures based upon co-production agreements of audiovisual works, which confer National Treatment to audiovisual works covered by such agreements.	WTO Members with which such bilateral or plurilateral agreements are in force, now or in the future.	Indefinite	The aim of these agreements is to promote cultural links between the countries concerned.
Audiovisual services - Production and distribution of television programmes and cinematographic works.	Measures granting the benefit of support programmes to audiovisual works, and suppliers of such works meeting origin criteria.	WTO Members with which bilateral and plurilateral agreements have been signed in the area of cultural cooperation.	Indefinite	These programmes aim at preserving and promoting the cultural identity of countries with which Viet Nam has long-standing cultural links.
Audiovisual services - Production and distribution of audiovisual works through broadcasting transmission to the public.	Measures which extend National Treatment to audiovisual works which meet certain origin criteria regarding access to broadcasting transmission.	WTO Members with which bilateral or plurilateral agreements have been concluded in the area of cultural cooperation.	Indefinite	These measures aim, within the sector, to promote cultural values both within Viet Nam, and with other countries, including in the region.
Maritime transport.	Measures based upon agreements covering the normal business operations of fully owned subsidiaries of foreign shipping companies.	All WTO Members with which maritime transport cooperation may be desirable.	Five years	Bilateral Agreements.