

MALAYSIA - LIST OF MFN EXEMPTIONS

For the 8th Package of Commitments under ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services

Sector or sub sector	Description of measure indicating its inconsistency with Article II	Countries to which the measure applies	Intended duration	Conditions creating the need for the exemption
All Sectors	Liberalisation of measures affecting movement of foreign semi-skilled and unskilled workers into Malaysia may be carried out in a differentiated manner based on reasons including proximity, either contiguous or regional, religious and/or cultural compatibility	All countries	Indefinite	The measure is required to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - maintain the arrangements under existing bilateral agreements; and - ensure that the movement of foreign semi-skilled and unskilled workers contributes to the social stability and industrial harmony in Malaysia
All Sectors	Liberalisation of Measures in existing or future policies limiting foreign equity or interests in companies and businesses in Malaysia shall be carried out in a preferential and differentiated manner	All countries	Indefinite	The measure would be applied in a differentiated manner to those investments that match Malaysia's specific development requirements with the abilities and facilities provided by foreign enterprises and their home countries. The objective is to maximise economic benefits of foreign participation in the Malaysian economy.