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| 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 |
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| 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 | .l | <u> </u> | | |
| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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. |

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| Maritime transport. | Measures based upon agreements covering the normal business operations of fully owned subsidiaries of foreign shipping companies. | All WTO Members with whom maritime transport cooperation may be desirable. | 5 years | Bilateral Agreements. |
| Sea transport services: - Internal road freight transportation by lorry; - Cargo storage and warehousing; and - Container yard. | The three sub-sectors are subject to preferential treatment under Maritime Agreement between Viet Nam and Singapore. | Republic of Singapore. | 10 years | Bilateral Agreement. |