

VIET NAM – 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 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.
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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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.