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II. SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS			
1. BUSINESS SERVICES			
A. Professional Services			
Legal services, excluding: - Participation in legal proceedings in the capacity of defenders or representatives of their clients before the courts of Lao PDR; - Legal documentation and certification services of the laws of Lao PDR (part of CPC 861)	(1) None (2) None (3) Foreign equity participation limited to 49%.	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound	
(b) Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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(c) Taxation consulting services (CPC 863)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
(d) Architectural services (CPC 8671)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
(e) Engineering services (CPC 8672)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
(f) Integrated engineering services (CPC 8673) -	(1) None (2) None (3) None.	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
(g) Urban planning and landscape architectural services - (CPC 8674)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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B. Computer and Related services	(1) None	(1) None	
Consultancy services related to the installation of computer hardware (CPC 841)	(2) None	(2) None	
Software implementation service (CPC 842)	(3) None	(3) None	
Data base services (CPC 844)			
Data processing services, excluded sensitive data and for non-commercial purpose (CPC 843)			
Other: Maintenance and repair services of computer (Part of CPC 84500)			

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<p>C. Research and Development Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - R&D Services on Natural sciences and Engineering (CPC 851) - Research and experimental development services (CPC 852) - Interdisciplinary R&D Services (CPC 853) 	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p>	
<p>E. Rental/Leasing Services without Operators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rental/ Leasing services relating to ships (CPC 83103) - Leasing or rental services concerning construction machinery and equipment without operator (CPC 83107) - Rental/ Leasing services relating to other machinery and equipment (CPC 83106-83109) 	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p>	<p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p>	

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Relating to other transport equipment (CPC 83101+830102+ 83105)	(1) None (2) None (3) Foreign equity participation limited to 49%	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Other Rental/ Leasing Services without Operator (CPC 832)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
F. Other Business Services	(1) None	(1) None	
a. Advertising Services (CPC 871)	(2) None (3) None	(2) None (3) None	
b. Marketing research services (CPC 86401)	(1) None (2) None	(1) None (2) None	
c. Management consulting services - General management consulting services (CPC 86501) - Marketing management consulting services (CPC 86503)	(3) None	(3) None	

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e. Technical testing and analysis services (CPC 8676)	(1) None (2) None (3) with foreign equity participation limited to 70%	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Services incidental to energy distribution (CPC 887)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Placement and supply services of personnel (CPC 872)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
m. Related scientific and technical consulting - Geological, geophysical and other scientific prospecting services (CPC 86751) - Sub-surface surveying services (CPC 86752)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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n. Maintenance and repair of equipment (not including maritime vessels, aircraft or other transport equipment) (CPC 633+8861-8866)	(1) Unbound, due to lack of technical feasibility (2) None (3) None, shall be joined with local partner	(1) Unbound, due to lack of technical feasibility (2) None (3) None	
o. Building-cleaning services (CPC 874)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
p. Photographic services (CPC 875)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
q. Packaging services (CPC 876)	(1) None (2) None (3) Joint venture with Lao services suppliers is required.	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound	

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r. Printing and Publishing (CPC 88442)	(1) None (2) None (3) with foreign equity participation limited to 70%	(1) None (2) None (3) None (editor has to be Lao)	
Convention services (CPC 87909*)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
o. Specialty design services (CPC 87907)	(1) None (2) None (3) foreign equity participation limited to 51%.	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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2. COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES			
A. Postal services (CPC 7511)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
B. Courier Services Multi-modal courier services (CPC 75121)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
C. Telecommunication Services The following services can be supplied only on a facilities basis, for public use, with regard to local and national long-distance services. (a) Voice telephone service (CPC 7521) (b) Packet-switched data transmission services (CPC 7523**) (Electronic message and information services (CPC 75232)) (c) Circuit-switched data transmission services (CPC 7523**) (Data and message transmission services(CPC 7523))	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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(d) Telex services (CPC 7523**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
(e) Telegraph services (CPC 7522) (f) Facsimile services (CPC 7529) (g) Private leased circuit services (CPC 7522**+7523**) Other: Paging services (CPC 75291)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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(h) Electronic-mail (CPC 7523**)	(1) None	(1) None	
(i) Voice mail (CPC 7523**)	(2) None	(2) None	
(j) Online information and data base retrieval (CPC 7523**)	(3) None	(3) None	
(k) Electronic data interchange (EDI) (CPC 7523**)			
(l) Enhanced / value-added facsimile services, incl. store and forward, store and retrieve (CPC 7523**)			
(m) code and protocol conversion			
(n) On-line information and / or data processing (incl transaction processing) (CPC 843**)			

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Telecommunication consulting services (CPC 75440)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Audio visual Services a. Motion Picture and Video tape production and distribution services (CPC 9611) - Motion Picture Production (CPC 96112 excl. video tape) - Motion Picture Distribution (CPC 96113 excl. video tape) b. Motion Picture Projection service (CPC 9612)	(1) None (2) None (3) with foreign equity participation limited to 70%	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Radio and Television Services (CPC 9613) - Radio Services only for production of radio programmes (CPC 96131) - Television Services only for production of TV programmes (CPC 96132)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound, except as indicate in the horizontal commitment	

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Radio and television transmission services (CPC 7524)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None Nonbound	
Sound recording	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None Nonbound	
Other Audiovisual Services	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None Nonbound	

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3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES			
Construction Work for Buildings (CPC 512) Construction Work for Civil Engineering (CPC 513) Assembly and Erection of Prefabricated Constructions (CPC 514) Installation Work (CPC 516) Building Completion and Finishing Work (CPC 517)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Pre-erection Work at Construction Site (CPC 511) Special Trade Construction (CPC515) Rental services related to equipment for construction or demolition of buildings works with operator (CPC 518)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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4. DISTRIBUTION SERVICES			
A. Commission agents' services D. Franchising included only for textiles, clothing and footwear (Part of CPC 8929)	(1) None (2) None (3) None, except subject to economic needs test. Foreigners need to use a local agent for distribution.	(1) None (2) None (3) Foreigners need to use a local agent for distribution.	
B. Wholesale trade services - Wholesale trade services on a fee or contract basis of textiles, clothing and footwear (Part of CPC 622)	(1) None (2) None (3) Joint venture with Lao services providers is required. Foreign equity participation is limited to 49%. Subject to meeting economic needs test.	(1) None (2) None (3) Unbound	

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5. EDUCATION SERVICES			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The contents of the education curriculum must be approved by the Ministry of Education of Lao PDR and concerned Ministry. - With respect to C and D below, all subjects are allowed, except for teacher training, religious and political 			
A. Primary Education Services (CPC 921) B. Secondary education services - Higher Secondary Education Services (CPC 9222) C. Higher education services - Post Secondary Technical and Vocational Education Services (CPC 92310)	(1) None (2) None (3) As per specified in the horizontal section	(1) None (2) None (3) None.	

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B. Secondary education services	(1) None	(1) None	
- General Secondary Education services (CPC 9221)	(2) None	(2) None	
- Technical and vocational training (Part of CPC 922)	(3) None ¹ .	(3) None	
C. Higher education services (CPC 923)			
D. Adult education services (CPC 924)			
E. Other education services Short term foreign language training (Part of CPC 929)			

¹The main criteria include the number of existing service suppliers in a particular geographical area, the stability of market and geographical scale.

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8. HEALTH RELATED AND SOCIAL SERVICES			
Medical and Dental services (CPC 9312) - General Medical services (CPC 93121) - Specialized Medical services (CPC 93122)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (only for private hospital),	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Private hospital services (Part of CPC 93110)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Services provided by midwives, nurses, physiotherapists and para-medical personnel (CPC 93191)	(1) None (2) None (3) None ((only for Private hospital)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
B. Other human health services (CPC 9319 (Other than 93191)	(1) None (2) None (3) None ((only for Private hospital)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
C. Social services (CPC 933)	(1) None (2) None (3) None (only for Private hospital)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES			
Hotel lodging services, with 3 stars or more (Part of CPC 641) Meal serving services with full restaurant service (CPC 64210) Beverage serving services without entertainment (CPC 64310)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
B. Travel agencies and tour operators services (CPC 7471) Travel agencies services, in-bound services only (Part of CPC 74710)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Other: Tourism consulting services	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPORTING SERVICES (OTHER THAN AUDIOVISUAL SERVICES)			
B. News agency services (CPC 962)	(1) None (2) None (3) None ²	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
C. Libraries, archives, museums and other cultural services (CPC 963)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
D. Sporting and other recreational services (CPC 964)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
E. Other (other recreational, culture and sporting services)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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11. TRANSPORT SERVICES			
A. Maritime Transport Services			
Passenger transportation (CPC 7211)	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
Freight transportation (CPC 7212)	(3) None	(3) None	
Rental of vessels with crew (CPC 7213)			
Pushing and towing services (CPC 7214)			
Maintenance and repair of vessels (CPC 8868)			
Vessels salvage and re-floating services (not applicable in harbour) (CPC 7454)			
B. Internal Waterway Transport Services			
Passenger transportation (CPC 7221)			
Freight transportation (CPC 7222)			
Rental of vessels with crew			
Maintenance and repair of vessels (CPC 8868**)			

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E. Rail Transport Services Passenger transportation (CPC 7111) Freight transportation (CPC 7112) Pushing and towing services (CPC 7113) Maintenance and repair of rail transport equipment (CPC 8868**)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Supporting services for rail transport services (CPC 743)			

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F. Road Transport Services	(1) None	(1) None	
Passenger transportation Proposed-Taxi (CPC 71221)	(2) None (3) None	(2) None (3) None, but driver has to be Lao	
Freight transportation (CPC 7123)	(1) None (2) None (3) Foreign equity participation is 100% for domestic transportation For Cross border transportation: joint venture with local service provider(s) is required, with foreign equity limited to 49%	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
/Rental of commercial vehicles with operator (CPC 7124)	(1) None (2) None (3) Joint venture with Lao services providers is required. Foreign equity participation is limited to 70%.	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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Maintenance and repair of road transport equipment (CPC 6112+8867)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
Supporting services for road transport services (CPC 744) - Bus station service - Parking service	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	

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H. Services auxiliary to all modes of transport³ cargo handling (CPC 741) Other supporting and auxiliary services (CPC 749)	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) Foreign equity participation limited to 49%.	(3) None	
Storage and warehousing services (CPC 742) Freight agency services (CPC 748)	(1) None	(1) None	
	(2) None	(2) None	
	(3) None	(3) None	

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The AFAS Logistics Priorities include:

1. *Maritime cargo handling: CPC 741*
2. *Storage and warehousing: CPC 742*
3. *Freight transport agency services: CPC 748 [Freight brokerage services, freight forwarding services (primarily transport organisation or arrangement services on behalf of the shipper or consignee), ship and aircraft space brokerage services, and freight consolidation and break-bulk]*
4. *Other auxiliary services: CPC 749 [Freight brokerage services; bill auditing and freight rate information services; transportation document preparation services; packing and crating and unpacking and de-crating services; freight inspection, weighing and sampling services; and freight receiving and acceptance including local pick-up and delivery.]*
5. *Packaging: CPC 876*
6. *Courier services: CPC 7512** [**includes 'express delivery' services not related to the Post. In Laos's GATS schedule (CPC 7512), 'express delivery' is defined as the 'collection, transport and delivery of documents, printed matter, parcels and/or other goods on an expedited basis, while tracking and maintaining control of these items throughout the supply of this service'. This is distinct from Postal services.]*
7. *Freight transport under each sector (A, B, E, F in this schedule): CPC 7212 excluding cabotage; CPC 7112, 7123, 7222*
8. *Customs clearance services (no CPC code)*
9. *Air freight services (implement ASEAN Multilateral Agreement of the Full Liberalisation of Air Freight Services): separate negotiation and agreement*

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I. Other transport services (Driving school for heavy vehicle)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	
OTHER SERVICES NOT INCLUDED ELSEWHERE			
Skill training services (CPC 97090)	(1) None (2) None (3) None	(1) None (2) None (3) None	