# ANNEX 4-I(B)

## SINGAPORE’S RESERVATIONS TO CHAPTER 7 (CROSS-BORDER TRADE IN SERVICES) AND CHAPTER 8 (INVESTMENT)

### 1.

**Sector:** All

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Investment)

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** This is an administrative policy of the Government of Singapore and is inscribed in the Memorandum and Articles of Association of PSA Corporation.

**Description:** Investment

The aggregate of foreign shareholdings in PSA Corporation or its successor body is subject to a 49 per cent limit.

The “aggregate of foreign shareholdings” is defined as the total number of shares owned by:

1. any individual who is not a Singapore citizen;
2. any corporation which is not more than 50 per cent owned by Singapore citizens or by the Singapore Government; or
3. any other enterprise which is not owned or controlled by the Singapore Government.

### 2.

**Sector:** All

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Investment)

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** This is an administrative policy of the Government of Singapore and is inscribed in the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the relevant enterprises below.

**Description:** Investment

All individual investors, apart from the Singapore government, will be subject to the following equity ownership limits in the enterprises, or its successor bodies, as listed below:

1. Singapore Technologies Engineering – 15 per cent;
2. PSA Corporation – 5 per cent; and
3. Singapore Airlines – 5 per cent.

For the purposes of this entry, ownership of equity by an investor in these enterprises or its successor bodies includes both direct and indirect ownership of equity.

### 3.

**Sector:** All

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Business Registration Act*, Cap. 32

Business Registration Regulations

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Where a person required to be registered under the *Business Registration Act*, Cap. 32, 2001 Rev Ed, is, or, in the case of any corporation, the directors are, or the secretary of the corporation is, not ordinarily resident in Singapore, a local manager[[1]](#footnote-1) must be appointed.

### 4.

**Sector:** Business Services

**Sub-Sector:** Leasing or rental services concerning private cars, goods transport vehicles and other land transport equipment without operator

**Industry Classification:** CPC 83101, 83102, 83105 Leasing or rental services concerning private cars, goods transport vehicles and other land transport equipment without operator

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Road Traffic Act*, Cap. 276, 2004 Rev Ed

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

The cross-border rental of private cars, goods transport vehicles and other land transport equipment without operator by Singapore residents with the intent to use the vehicles in Singapore is prohibited.

### 5.

**Sector:** Business Services

**Sub-Sector:** Patent agent services

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Local Presence

**Measures:** *Patents Act*, Cap. 221, 2005 Rev Ed

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only service suppliers registered with the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) or its successor body and resident in Singapore shall be allowed to carry on a business, practise or act as a patent agent in Singapore.

Only service suppliers which have at least one Singapore- registered patent agent resident in Singapore either as a director or partner, shall be allowed to carry on a business, practise or act as a patent agent in Singapore.

### 6.

**Sector:** Business Services

**Sub-Sector:** Placement and supply services of personnel

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Employment Agencies Act*, Cap. 92

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only service suppliers with local presence shall be allowed to set up employment agencies and place foreign workers in Singapore.

### 7.

**Sector:** Business Services

**Sub-Sector:** Private investigation services

Unarmed guard services

**Industry Classification:** CPC 87301 Investigation Services

CPC 87302 Security Consultation Services

CPC 87305 Guard Services (only applies to unarmed security guard services)

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Private Security Industry Act*, Cap. 250A, 2008 Rev Ed

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Foreigners are permitted to set up security agencies to provide unarmed guards for hire but must register a company with local participation. At least two of the directors must be a Singapore national.

Foreigners, except Malaysians, shall not be allowed to work as guards, but can be involved in the administration of the company.

The foreign directors shall produce a certificate of no criminal conviction from their country of origin or a statutory declaration before a Singapore commissioner of oaths, to the effect that they have never been convicted in any court of law for any criminal offence.

### 8.

**Sector:** Community, Personal and Social Services

**Sub-Sector:** Services furnished by co-operative societies

**Industry Classification:** CPC 959 Services furnished by membership organizations n.e.c (only applies to co-operative society services)

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment) Senior Management and Boards of Directors

Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Existing Measures:** *Co-operative Societies Act*, Cap. 62, 2009 Rev Ed

Co-operative Societies Rules 2009

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only service suppliers with a local presence can be registered under the *Co-operative Societies Act*. Registration allows a co-operative society to be exempt from taxation measures applicable to other enterprises. Instead, co-operative societies are required to make a two- tier contribution of their surplus to the Central Co-operative Fund (CCF) and CCF/Singapore Labour Foundation respectively as the society may opt.

As a general rule, only Singapore citizens are allowed to hold office or be a member of the management committee of a co-operative society. Foreigners may be allowed to hold office or be a member of the management committee of a co-operative society, with the approval of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies.

A person who is not a Singapore citizen can form and join a co- operative society if he or she is resident in Singapore.

### 9.

**Sector:** Education Services

**Sub-Sector:** Higher education services in relation to the training of doctors

**Industry Classification:** CPC 92390 Other Higher Education Services

(Only applies to Higher Education Services in relation to the training of doctors)

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Medical Registration Act*, Part V, Specialist Accreditation Board, Sections 2, 3, 34 and 35

*Private Education Act*, Cap. 247A, 2011 Rev Ed

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only local tertiary institutions which are established pursuant to an Act of Parliament, or as designated by the Ministry of Education shall be allowed to operate undergraduate or graduate programmes for the training of doctors in Singapore.

Currently, only the National University of Singapore and the Nanyang Technological University are allowed to operate undergraduate or graduate programmes for the training of doctors in Singapore.

### 10.

**Sector:** Health and Social Services

**Sub-Sector:** Medical services

Pharmacy services

Deliveries and related services, nursing services, physiotherapeutic and para-medical services and allied health services

Optometrists and opticians

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Medical Registration Act*, Cap. 174

*Pharmacists Registration Act*, Cap. 230

*Medicines Act*, Cap. 176,

*Medicines (Registration of Pharmacies) Regulations*, Cap. 176,

Regulation 4

*Nurses and Midwives Act*, Cap. 209

*Allied Health Professions Act*, Act 1 of 2011

*Optometrists and Opticians Act*, Cap. 213A

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only persons who are resident in Singapore are allowed to provide the following services: medical services, pharmacy services, deliveries and related services, nursing services, physiotherapeutic and para-medical services and allied health services and optometry and opticianry services.

### 11.

**Sector:** Import, export and trading services

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Regulation of Imports and Exports Act*, Cap. 272A

Regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only services suppliers with local presence shall be allowed to apply for import/export permits, certificates of origin or other trade documents from the relevant authorities.

### 12.

**Sector:** Postal Services

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Market Access Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Postal Services Act*, Cap. 237A

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

For the provision of basic letter services, all service suppliers must be incorporated as companies under the *Companies Act*, Cap. 50, 2006 Rev Ed.

### 13.

**Sector:** Telecommunications Services

**Sub-Sector:** Telecommunications services

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Market Access Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Info-communications Development Authority of Singapore Act*, Cap. 137A

*Telecommunications Act*, Cap. 323

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

1. Facilities-based operators and service-based operators must be locally incorporated under the *Companies Act*, Cap. 50, 2006 Rev Ed.

“Facilities-based operators” are operators who deploy any form of telecommunication networks, systems and facilities, outside of their own property boundaries, to offer telecommunication services to third parties, which may include other licensed telecommunication operators, business customers, or the general public.

“Services-based operators” are operators who lease telecommunication network elements (such as transmission capacity and switching services) from any Facilities-Based Operator (FBO) licensed by the IDA so as to provide their own telecommunication services, or to resell the telecommunication services of FBOs to third parties.

1. The number of licences granted will be limited only by resource constraints, such as the availability of radio frequency spectrum. In view of spectrum constraints, parties interested in deploying networks based on wireless technology may be licensed to use radio frequency spectrum via a tender or auction process.

### 14.

**Sector:** Telecommunications Services

**Sub-Sector:** Telecommunications services

Domain name allocation policies in Internet country code top level domains (ccTLDs) corresponding to Singapore territories (.sg)

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations concerned:** Market Access

Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Info-communications Development Authority of Singapore Act*, Cap. 137A

*Telecommunications Act*, Cap. 323

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), which recognises the ultimate authority of sovereign Governments over ccTLDs corresponding to their territories.

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

A registrar must be a company incorporated or a foreign company registered under the *Companies Act*, Cap. 50, 2006 Rev Ed.

### 15.

**Sector:** Power Supply

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Electricity Act*, Cap. 89A, 2002 Rev Ed, Sections 6(1) and 9(1)

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Power producers shall not be allowed to sell power directly to consumers and shall only sell power through the Singapore electricity wholesale market operators licensed by the Energy Market Authority.

The amount of power supplied cumulatively by power producers located outside of Singapore to Singapore’s wholesale power market shall not exceed 600 MW.

### 16.

**Sector:** Power Supply

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and

Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Electricity Act*, Cap. 89A, 2002 Rev Ed, Sections 6(1) and 9(1)

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only a Market Support Service Licensee shall be allowed to supply electricity to:

1. all household consumers of electricity; and
2. non-household consumers of electricity whose average monthly consumption is below 4,000 kWh.

### 17.

**Sector:** Power Transmission and Distribution

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Electricity Act*, Cap. 89A, 2002 Rev Ed, Sections 6(1) and 9(1)

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only a Transmission Licensee shall be the owner and operator of the electricity transmission and distribution network in Singapore.

### 18.

**Sector:** Tourism and Travel Related Services

**Sub-Sector:** Food or beverage serving services in eating facilities run by the government

Food or beverage catering services

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Environmental Public Health Act*, Cap. 95, 2002 Rev Ed

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only a Singapore national can apply for a licence to operate a stall in government-run markets or hawker centres, in their personal capacity.

To supply food or beverage catering services in Singapore, a foreign service supplier must incorporate as a limited company in Singapore, and apply for the food establishment licence in the name of the limited company.

### 19.

**Sector:** Sewage and Refuse Disposal, Sanitation and other Environmental Protection Services

**Sub-Sector:** Waste management, including collection, disposal, and treatment of hazardous waste

**Industry Classification: ~~-~~**

**Obligations Concerned:** Market Access

Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Environmental Public Health Act*, Cap. 95

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Foreign service suppliers must be locally incorporated in Singapore.

The public waste collectors (PWCs) rendering services to domestic and trade premises are appointed by public competitive tender. The number of PWCs is limited by the number of geographical sectors in Singapore. For industrial and commercial waste, the market is opened to any licensed general waste collectors (GWCs).

### 20.

**Sector:** Trade Services

**Sub-Sector:** Distribution and Sale of Hazardous Substances

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Environmental Protection and Management Act*, Cap. 94A, 2002 Rev Ed, Section 22

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only service suppliers with a local presence shall be allowed to distribute and sell hazardous substances as defined in the *Environmental Protection and Management Act*.

Singapore reserves the right and flexibility to modify or increase the list of hazardous substances as defined or listed in the *Environmental Protection and Management Act*.

### 21.

**Sector:** Trade Services

**Sub-Sector:** Distribution services

Retailing services

Wholesale trade services

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Medicines Act*, Cap. 176, 1985 Rev Ed

*Health Products Act*, Cap. 122D, 2008 Rev Ed

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only service suppliers with a local presence shall be allowed to supply wholesale, retail and distribution services for medical and health-related products and materials as defined under the *Medicines Act* and *Health Products Act*, intended for purposes such as treating, alleviating, preventing or diagnosing any medical condition, disease or injury, as well as any other such items that may have an impact on the health and well-being of the human body.

Such products and materials include but are not limited to drugs and pharmaceuticals, traditional medicines, health supplements, diagnostic test kits, medical devices, cosmetics, tobacco products, radioactive materials and irradiating apparatuses.

Singapore reserves the right and flexibility to modify or increase the list of medical and health-related products and materials as defined or listed in the *Medicines Act* and *Health Products Act*.

### 22.

**Sector:** Transport Services

**Sub-Sector:** Air Transport Services - Ground Handling Services (including but not limited to cargo handling services)

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore Act*, Cap. 41, 1985 Rev Ed

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only Singapore Airport Terminal Services (SATS) and Changi International Airport Services (CIAS) and/or their respective successor bodies shall be allowed to provide ground handling services, including but not limited to cargo handling services at airports.

### 23.

**Sector:** Transport Services

**Sub-Sector:** Air transport services

Passengers transportation by air

Freight transportation by air

**Industry Classification:** CPC 731 Passenger Transportation by Air

CPC 732 Freight Transportation by Air

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Investment)

Senior Management and Boards of Directors

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** Air Navigation (Licensing of Air Services) Regulations, Cap. 6, Regulation 2

**Description:** Investment

Service suppliers providing air transport services (for both passenger and freight) as a Singapore designated airline shall have to comply with the “effective control” and/or “substantial ownership” requirements of Singapore’s bilateral and multilateral air services agreements.

Compliance with the requirements of these agreements may require these service suppliers to comply with conditions on effective control and limits on the foreign ownership as stipulated in Singapore’s bilateral and multilateral air services agreements.

### 24.

**Sector:** Transport Services

**Sub-Sector:** Maritime transport services

Cargo handling services

Pilotage Services

Supply of desalinated water to ships berthed at Singapore ports or in Singapore territorial waters

**Industry Classification:** CPC 741 Cargo Handling Services

CPC 74520 Pilotage and Berthing Services (only applies to Pilotage Services)

CPC 74590 Other Supporting Services for Water Transport

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act*, Cap. 170A, 1997 Rev Ed, Section 81

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only PSA Corporation Ltd and Jurong Port Pte Ltd or their respective successor bodies shall be allowed to provide cargo handling services.

Only PSA Marine Pte Ltd or its successor body shall be allowed to provide pilotage services and supply desalinated water to ships berthed at Singapore ports or in Singapore territorial waters.

### 25.

**Sector:** Transport Services

**Sub-Sector:** Maritime transport services

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act*, Cap. 170A, 1997 Rev Ed, Section 81

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only local service suppliers shall be allowed to operate and manage cruise and ferry terminals.

Local service suppliers are either Singapore citizens or legal persons which are more than 50 per cent owned by Singapore citizens.

### 26.

**Sector:** Transportation and Distribution of Manufactured Gas and Natural Gas

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Gas Act*, Cap. 116A, 2002 Rev Ed

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

Only the holder of a gas transporter licence shall be allowed to transport and distribute manufactured and natural gas.

Only one gas transport licence has been issued given the size of the Singapore market.

### 27.

**Sector:** Manufacturing and Services Incidental to Manufacturing

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Prohibition of Performance Requirements

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Control of Manufacture Act*, Cap. 57, 2004 Rev Ed

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

The manufacture of the following products, and services incidental to the manufacture of these products, in Singapore, may be subject to certain restrictions:

1. beer and stout;
2. cigars;
3. drawn steel products;
4. chewing gum, bubble gum, dental chewing gum or any like substance (not being a medicinal product within the meaning of the *Medicines Act*, Cap. 176, or a substance in respect of which an order under section 54 of the Act has been made);
5. cigarettes; and
6. matches.

### 28.

**Sector:** All

**Sub-Sector: -**

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Banking Act*, Cap. 19, MAS Notice 757

*Monetary Authority of Singapore Act*, Cap. 186, MAS Notice 1105

*Finance Companies Act*, Cap. 108, MAS Notice 816

*Insurance Act*, Cap. 142, MAS Notice 109

*Securities and Futures Act*, Cap. 289, MAS Notice SFA 04-N04

**Description:** Investment and Cross-Border Trade in Services

A non-resident financial institution may in certain circumstances be unable to borrow in Singapore dollars more than S$5 million from a resident financial institution owing to the following restrictions placed on financial institutions’ lending of the Singapore dollar to non-resident financial institutions.

A financial institution shall not extend to any non-resident financial institution Singapore dollar credit facilities exceeding S$5 million per non-resident financial institution:

(a) where the Singapore dollar proceeds are to be used outside of Singapore, unless:

1. such proceeds are swapped or converted into foreign currency upon draw-down or before remittance abroad; or
2. such proceeds are for the purpose of preventing settlement failures where the financial institution extends a temporary Singapore dollar overdraft to any vostro account of any non- resident financial institution, and the financial institution takes reasonable efforts to ensure that the overdraft is covered within two business days; and

(b) where there is reason to believe that the Singapore dollar proceeds may be used for Singapore dollar currency speculation, regardless of whether the Singapore dollar proceeds are to be used in Singapore or outside of Singapore.

A financial institution shall not arrange Singapore dollar equity or bond issues for any non-resident financial institution where the Singapore dollar proceeds are to be used outside Singapore, unless the proceeds are swapped or converted into foreign currency upon draw-down or before remittance abroad.

“Non-residents financial institution” means any financial institution which is not a resident as defined in the relevant notice.

### 29.

**Sector:** Business Services

**Sub-Sector:** Credit bureau services

**Industry Classification: -**

**Obligations Concerned:** Market Access

Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** Administrative measure pursuant to the *Monetary Authority of Singapore Act*, Cap. 186

**Description:** Cross-Border Trade in Services

Singapore reserves the right to limit the number of suppliers of credit bureau services where information provided by the supplier of credit bureau services is obtained from financial institutions in Singapore. The supplier must be established in Singapore.

### 30.

**Sector** Business Services

**Sub-Sector** Legal Services

**Industry Classification -**

**Obligations Concerned** National Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment (Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment)

Market Access

Local Presence

**Level of Government:** Central

**Measures:** *Legal Profession Act*, Cap. 161

**Description:** Investment and Cross Border Trade in Services

Australian law practices shall apply for licensing as foreign law practices (as defined under Singapore law) for their practice of Australian law, international law and/or third country law with offices in Singapore, and upon obtaining such licence, they can employ:

* 1. qualified foreign lawyers (as defined under Singapore law) of any nationality to practise Australian law, international law and/or third country law;
  2. Singapore lawyers (as defined under Singapore law) to practise only Australian law, international law and/or third country law but not Singapore law; and
  3. non-legally trained local staff in their Singapore offices.

Australian lawyers shall apply for registration as foreign lawyers for their practice of Australian law, international law and/or third country law with physical presence in Singapore in order to work in foreign law practices (either from Australia or any other jurisdiction) in Singapore.

Australian lawyers who are registered as foreign lawyers for the practice of Australian law, international law and/or third country law with local presence in Singapore and are working in foreign law practices (either from Australia or any other jurisdiction) in Singapore shall be allowed to participate in international commercial arbitration proceedings in Singapore by:

1. representing any party in arbitration proceedings; and
2. engaging in the giving of advice, preparation of documents or any other assistance in relation to or arising out of arbitration proceedings except for the right of audience in Singapore court proceedings.

Australian law practices may provide legal services in relation to Singapore law through a Joint Law Venture or Formal Law Alliance with a Singapore law practice, only to the extent allowed by the laws, rules, and regulations concerning Joint Law Ventures and Formal Law Alliances, and subject to the conditions and requirements relating to Joint Law Ventures and Formal Law Alliances. However, Singapore undertakes to waive and modify the following statutory conditions governing Joint Law Ventures and Formal Law Alliances for any Australian law practice which is licensed as a foreign law practice in Singapore:

In relation to Rule 51(2)(b) and Rule 54(1)(b) of the Legal Profession (Law Practice Entities) Rules 2015:

1. the minimum number of Australian lawyers resident in Singapore which the Australian law practice is required to maintain in a Joint Law Venture or a Formal Law Alliance shall be reduced from 5 to 3;
2. the minimum relevant legal expertise and experience in the permitted areas of legal practice required of the 3 Australian lawyers referred to in subparagraph (i) shall be considered on an aggregate basis of 15 years for all 3 Australian lawyers, rather than on the basis of 5 years for each Australian lawyer; and

In relation to Rule 5(1)(g) of the Legal Profession (Regulated Individuals) Rules 2015:

1. the minimum relevant legal expertise and experience in the permitted areas of legal practice required for Australian lawyers working in a Joint Law Venture who wish to apply to practise Singapore law under the Legal Profession Act shall be maintained at 3 years.

1. Persons who qualify to be appointed in such a capacity are primarily Singapore nationals and EntrePass holders (all with local addresses). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)