POSITIONS ON ARTICLE 16 (DIRECTORS' FEES) AND ITS COMMENTARY

Positions on the Article

1. Albania, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Indonesia, Latvia, Lithuania and Serbia reserve the right to tax under this Article any remuneration of a member of a board of directors or any other similar organ of a resident company.

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3. Morocco reserves the right to tax under this Article any remuneration of a member of a board of directors or any other similar organ of a resident company. Morocco also reserves the right to extend the Article to cover the remuneration of senior employees.

4. Indonesia, Malaysia and Vietnam reserve the right to extend the Article to cover the remuneration of top-level managerial officials.

POSITIONS ON ARTICLE 17 (ENTERTAINERS AND SPORTSPERSONS) AND ITS COMMENTARY

Positions on the Article

1. The Philippines and Russia reserve the right to exclude from the application of paragraph 1 entertainers and sportspersons employed in organisations which are subsidised out of public funds.

2. *India* reserves the right to include performing as well as non-performing artists in the scope of the term "entertainers".

Positions on the Commentary

3. Argentina, Brazil and Malaysia do not agree with the interpretation in paragraph 3, according to which Article 17 should not be extended to a model performing as such and presenting clothes during a fashion show. They consider that, under some circumstances, a fashion show may be regarded as of an entertainment nature. Thus, the income derived by a model from the participation in such a fashion show may be included in Article 17 (as opposed to the income derived by a model from other activities, i.e. the photo session, where the activity performed is clearly not of an entertainment nature).

4. Brazil, Malaysia and the People's Republic of China do not adhere to the interpretation set out in paragraph 3, because they take the view that visiting

conference speakers, including especially former politicians, could be covered by Article 17 if an entertainment character is present in their speeches.

5. Argentina does not share the interpretation in paragraph 9.1 because it considers that, in some cases, the fee that a former or injured sportsperson would earn for offering comments during a broadcast of a sports event in which that person does not participate, may be received for personal activities of that person of an entertainment nature. In such cases, he/she is offered the job (and the relevant income) because of his/her fame as a sportsperson and not for his/her reputation as a commentator, and therefore such income is covered by Article 17.

6. India does not agree with the interpretation in paragraph 3, according to which Article 17 should not be extended to a model performing as such and presenting clothes during a fashion show. India considers that, under some circumstances, a fashion show may be regarded as of an entertainment nature and accordingly covered by Article 17.

7. India does not agree with the interpretation given in paragraph 9 restricting the scope of Article 17 only to personal activities that have a close connection with performance. India considers that any consideration received by an entertainer or a sportsperson for any personal activity, including appearance is covered by Article 17.

8. India does not agree with the third example in paragraph 9.1, related to reporting or commenting activities during the broadcasting of an entertainment or sports event, as it considers that such activities are covered by Article 17.

9. Brazil and India do not adhere to the interpretation set out in paragraph 11.2. They take the view that prize money in such races is paid in consideration for personal activities of the jockey and race car driver and is covered by Article 17.

10. With respect to paragraph 14 of the Commentary, *India* considers that the phrase "personal activities as such" in paragraph 1 of Article 17 would not include activities financed by public funds and that the alternative provision included in paragraph 14 simply confirms that view.

POSITIONS ON ARTICLE 18 (PENSIONS) AND ITS COMMENTARY

Position on the Article

1. [Deleted]

2. Brazil, Bulgaria, Ivory Coast, South Africa and Ukraine reserve the right to include in paragraph 1 an explicit reference to annuities.



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