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1. Each Party shall promptly publish any law, regulation, judicial decision, administrative ruling of general application, and any procedure (including standard contract clauses) regarding government procurement covered by this Agreement, in the appropriate publications listed in Appendix IV and in such a manner as to enable other Parties and suppliers to become acquainted with them. Each Party shall be prepared, upon request, to explain to any other Party its government procurement procedures.

characteristics and relative advantages of the winning tender and this latter information may be disclosed by the government of the Party provided it exercises this right with discretion. In cases where release of such information would prejudice competition in future tenders, this information shall not be disclosed without consultation with and agreement of the Party which gave the information of the unsuccessful tenderer.

3. Available information concerning procurement by covered Parties and contract awards shall be provided, upon request, to any other Party.

4. Confidential information provided to any Party which would otherwise be contrary to the public interest or would prejudice the public interest of particular enterprises, public or private, or might prejudice the competitive position of suppliers shall not be revealed without formal authorization from the Party providing the information.

5. Each Party shall collect and provide to the Committee on Government Procurement covered by this Agreement. Such reports shall contain, with respect to the information provided by its suppliers and to the information received from other Parties, the following information: (a) for entities in Annex 1, statistics, broken down by entity and by category of products and services awarded above the threshold value, broken down by entity and by category of products and services according to uniform classification of products and services in Annexes 2 and 3, statistics on the estimated value of products and services awarded above the threshold value broken down by category of products and services;

(c) for entities in Annex 1, statistics, broken down by entity and by category of products and services, on the number and total value of contracts awarded under each of the cases of Article XV; for categories of products and services

and 3, statistics on the total value of contracts awarded above the threshold value under each of the cases of Article XV; and

- (d) for entities in Annex 1, statistics, broken down by entities, on the number and total value of contracts awarded under derogations to the Agreement contained in the relevant Annexes; for categories of entities in Annexes 2 and 3, statistics on the total value of contracts awarded under derogations to the Agreement contained in the relevant Annexes.

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