NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III.3 OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN SERVICES

The following notification from the Swiss delegation, dated 2 August 2011, is being circulated to the Members of the Council for Trade in Services.

1. Member notifying:
   Switzerland - Canton of Valais

2. Notification under Article(s):
   Article III, paragraph 3, of the General Agreement on Trade in Services

3. Date of entry into force:
   1 April 2008

   Duration:
   Indefinite

4. Agency responsible for implementation and enforcement of the measure:
   Department of the Economy, Energy and Land Planning and Development (DEET) of the Canton of Valais

5. Description of the measure:
   Measure:

   Law of 11 October 2007 on the exercise of the professions of mountain guide, snow sports instructor and mountain leader and on the commercial provision of sporting activities subject to stringent safety requirements (935.2).

   Ordinance of 15 April 2008 on the exercise of the professions of mountain guide, snow sports instructor and mountain leader and on the commercial provision of sporting activities subject to stringent safety requirements (935.200).
Description:

The notified legislation establishes the accreditation and training requirements for mountain guides, snow sports instructors and mountain leaders. It also lays down the operating requirements for mountain guide companies and snow sports schools.

6. Members specifically affected, if any:

None

7. Text available from:

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