

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Council for Trade in Services

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## NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VII.4 OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN SERVICES

The following notification has been received from the delegation of Switzerland.

1. **Member notifying:**

Switzerland

2. **Notification under:**

Article VII, paragraph 4 of the GATS

3. **Date of entry into force:**

1 January 1999

**Duration:**

Indeterminate.

4. **Agency responsible for enforcement of the measure:**

Federal Transport Office

5. **Complete description of the measure:**

Measure

Railway Network Access Ordinance of 25 November 1998 (OARF; RS 742.122), Art. 9.

Description

Access to the Swiss network for foreign railway companies is governed by ad hoc international agreements. Even when the international agreement with the country concerned provides for the mutual recognition of network access authorizations, a Swiss safety certificate is required for foreign companies.

6. **Members specifically affected if applicable:**

None.

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**7. Text available from:**

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