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## **THE THRESHOLDS IN APPENDIX I OF THE AGREEMENT AS EXPRESSED IN NATIONAL CURRENCIES FOR 2000**

NORWAY

### Addendum

In pursuance of the agreed procedures (GPA/1, Annex 3), delegations have been invited to notify their respective national thresholds for the year 2000.

The information notified by Norway is reproduced below.

### **THRESHOLD CALCULATIONS – FOR THE YEAR 2000**

The calculation of the threshold values of the WTO Agreement in Nkr has been based on the average daily exchange rates for SDR to Nkr and EURO to Nkr over 24 months from September 1998 through August 2000. The average exchange rates are:

1 SDR = Nkr 10,9067

1 ECU = Nkr 8,3335

These exchange rates give the following threshold values:

	<b>Annex 1 Entities</b>	<b>Annex 2 Entities</b>	<b>Annex 3 Entities</b>	<b>Works all entities</b>
Threshold in GPA in SDR	130,000	200,000	400,000	5,000,000
Threshold in GPA in Nkr	1,417,871	2,181,340	4,362,680	54,533,500
Threshold in EEA in EURO	200,000	200,000	400,000	5,000,000
Threshold in EEA in Nkr	1,666,700	1,666,700	3,333,400	41,667,500
Threshold in Norway in Nkr	1,400,000	1,600,000	3,300,000	41,000,000

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The value of SDR in Nkr has on average been higher than the value of EURO in Nkr in the 24 months on which the calculation is based. This gives a higher GPA threshold compared to the EEA/EU thresholds, except for Annex 1 entities. In order to comply with both the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement and the EEA Agreement with a single set of threshold values, Norway has determined to set a rounded threshold based on the lowest threshold values for Annex 2 and Annex 3 entities and for works contracts.

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