

[COURTESY TRANSLATION]

June 28, 2007

Mr. Everett Eissenstat
Assistant United States Trade Representative
for the Americas
Office of the United States Trade Representative
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Eissenstat:

Panama recognizes the commitment it made in the World Trade Organization (WTO) to become a full participant in the WTO Information Technology Agreement (ITA). In order to do so, Panama must present a schedule of tariff commitments to the ITA Committee, which must approve the schedule. Panama has begun work on its schedule, and will consult with the Secretariat of the ITA Committee to resolve any outstanding technical issues. I am pleased to confirm that Panama will become a full participant in the ITA prior to the date that the United States – Panama Trade Promotion Agreement enters into force.

Sincerely,

Leroy Jhon Sheffer
Chief of International Commercial Negotiations
Ministry of Commerce and Industry