ANNEX 12: Visa Facilitation

New Zealand Commitments

New Zealand shall:

(a) Ensure that Chinese students who submit a complete application for a student visa to study towards a degree level course at an accredited New Zealand tertiary institution receive a decision within 10 working days, provided that:

   (i) the institution referred to in paragraph (a) has been enrolling Chinese students for at least two years; and

   (ii) no information is found that suggests the student might not meet health or character requirements.

(b) Create and maintain a group transit visa for which Chinese natural persons transiting New Zealand to and from all destinations will be eligible.