

## SECTION C. CAPITAL RESTRICTIONS OF THE WESTERN COMMUNITY

During the past decade, progress has been substantial in the elimination of capital restrictions within the Western community. The International Monetary Fund, the European Monetary Agreement, the European Economic Community, and the European Free Trade Association have made sweeping transformations in liberalizing most exchange restrictions. Nevertheless, many of the Western countries still maintain restrictions on the entry and repatriation of capital, and on foreign ownership and control of domestic enterprises. The following chart and individual country summaries present a general picture of the position of each country on capital restrictions and foreign ownership, and also on any incentive programs that have been established by the various governments to stimulate foreign investment.

### *General summary of each country*

#### CAPITAL ENTRY

|                          |                      |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Not subject to approval: | Subject to approval: |
| Australia                | Denmark              |
| Austria                  | France               |
| Belgium                  | Japan                |
| Canada                   | Luxembourg           |
| Germany                  | New Zealand          |
| Italy                    | Norway               |
| Switzerland              | Sweden               |
| United States            | The Netherlands      |
|                          | United Kingdom       |

#### REPATRIATION OF EARNINGS

|                               |                        |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Completely free:              | Subject to permission: |
| Austria                       | Australia              |
| Canada                        | Denmark                |
| Germany                       | France                 |
| Switzerland                   | Italy                  |
| United States                 | New Zealand            |
| Subject to original approval: | Norway                 |
| Belgium                       | Sweden                 |
| Japan                         | The Netherlands        |
| Luxembourg                    | United Kingdom         |