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MARRAKESH AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION DONE AT MARRAKESH ON 15 APRIL 1994

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PANAMA AND BENIN

I have the honour to inform you that on 4 September 1998 I received the following communication from the Government of Panama:

Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994

The Government of Panama reserves the right to provide that the relevant provision of Article 4 of the Agreement shall apply only when customs authorities agree to the request to reverse the order of Articles 5 and 6.

I also have the honour to inform you that on 8 September 1998 I received the following communication from the Government of <u>Benin</u>:

Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994

Pursuant to Article 20 of the Agreement on Customs Valuation concerning special and differential treatment for least-developed countries, the Government of the Republic of Benin requests a delay in the application of the Agreement and appropriate technical assistance.

R. Ruggiero Director-General

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