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Addendum

The following communication, dated 1 November 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Armenia.

In connection with the Treaty of Accession of the Republic of Armenia to the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) which was signed on 10 October 2014, and the entry into force of the EAEU Common Customs Tariff (CCT) on 2 January 2015; and in view of ensuring that Members reserve their rights pending the communication to the WTO Secretariat of the agreements reached in the context of Article XXIV:6 (GATT), Armenia believes that it is desirable to provide for an extension of 12 months (that is, until 2 January 2025).

As a consequence, and in continuation of Armenia's notification of 23 October 2014 (G/SECRET/37) concerning its accession to the EAEU, as well as the notification of 29 December 2014 (WT/REG363/N/1 and S/C/N/790), Armenia wishes hereby to inform that it will not assert that WTO Members who have submitted a claim pursuant to Article XXIV:6 of the GATT 1994 are precluded from withdrawing substantially equivalent concessions under Article XXVIII:3 of the GATT 1994 because this withdrawal occurs later than six months after Armenia's withdrawal of concessions (2 January 2015), provided that the claiming WTO Member withdraws concessions no later than 120 months after Armenia's modification of concessions.
