GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

DECISION OF 30 APRIL 1952 EXTENDING THE WAIVER GRANTED TO
THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY TO ACCORD SPECIAL CUSTOMS TREATMENT
TO CERTAIN PRODUCTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF LIBYA

WHEREAS the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their Sixth Session by a Decision of 26
October 1951, waived the provisions of paragraph 1 of Article 1 of the General
Agreement until 30 September 1952 to the extent necessary to permit the Government
of Italy to continue to accord the special customs treatment at present in force
to certain products of Libya when imported into the customs territory of Italy,
without obligation to extend the same treatment to the like products of other
contracting parties, and requested the Government of Italy to present for con-
sideration at the Seventh Session any further proposals on this matter, and

WHEREAS the CONTRACTING PARTIES will not be in regular session prior to
30 September 1952,

The CONTRACTING PARTIES

DECIDE that the waiver granted on 26 October 1951 shall be extended to
permit the Government of Italy to continue to accord the aforementioned special
customs treatment to the products of Libya until the end of the Seventh Session
or until such time as the CONTRACTING PARTIES reach a final decision on the
matter, whichever is the earlier.

Note: The Intersessional Committee, at the meeting held on 25 and 26
February 1952, noted that the Decision of 26 October 1951 granted to
Italy a waiver for the continued application of special customs
treatment to certain products of Libya until 30 September 1952. In
view of the fact that the Intersessional Committee decided upon a
date later than 30 September for the opening of the Seventh Session,
the Committee recommended that a new decision be taken by the
Contracting Parties to enable the continued application of the special
treatment on a provisional basis until the end of the Seventh Session
or until such time as the Contracting Parties should reach a final
decision on the matter whichever might be earlier. (cf. GATT/IC/SR.3)

The Committee instructed the secretariat to submit to the
Contracting Parties the text of a decision for adoption by postal
ballot; governments were invited to cast their votes by 30 April.

Twenty-four contracting parties having voted in favour of the
Decision and none against, the majority requirements of Article
XXV:5 (a) have thus been met.