GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

FIRST SESSION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

REVISION OF DRAFT SPECIAL PROTOCOL CONTAINED IN DOCUMENT GATT/I/21
MODIFYING ARTICLE XIV OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

(As agreed on 13 March 1948)

The Governments of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Kingdom of Belgium, Canada, the Republic of Cuba, the French Republic, the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, acting in their capacity of contracting parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, and

The governments of the United States of Brazil, Burma, Ceylon, the Republic of Chile, the Republic of China, the Czechoslovak Republic, India, Lebanon, New Zealand, the Kingdom of Norway, Pakistan, Southern Rhodesia, Syria, and the Union of South Africa, acting in their capacity of signatories of the Final Act adopted at the conclusion of the Second Session of the Preparatory Committee of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment which authenticated the text of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

Being desirous of modifying the text of Article XIV of the General Agreement on Tariffs, and Trade, in the light of the text of the Havana Charter for an International Trade Organization, which was authenticated by the Final Act of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment

Hereby agree as follows:

I. Article XIV of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade shall read as follows:

[insert final text of Article 23 of the Havana Charter and any accompanying annexes, etc.]

II. This Protocol shall remain open for signature at the Headquarters of the United Nations until 1 June 1948 on behalf of any government named in the preamble of this Protocol which has not signed it on this day.

III. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article XXX of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the modifications of the General Agreement on /Tariffs
Tariffs and Trade provided for in this Protocol shall become effective, as among Contracting Parties to the Agreement, on 1 January 1949.

Signature of this Protocol by any Government which is not at the time a Contracting Party to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade shall serve to authenticate the texts of the modifications of the General Agreement provided for in this Protocol.

In witness whereof the respective representatives have signed the present Protocol.

Done at Havana, in a single copy, in the English and French languages, both texts authentic, this......day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.