On behalf of the United States Government, The Hon. Samuel C. Waugh, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, and Leader of the United States delegation to the Ninth Session of the General Agreement, today signed the following legal instruments at GATT Headquarters, Geneva:

1. Protocol amending Part I, and Articles XXIX and XXX of the Agreement
2. Protocol amending Parts II and III of the Agreement
3. Protocol of Organizational Amendments

(The above three protocols deal with amendments to the Agreement as formulated in the recently completed Review of the Agreement.)

4. At the same time, Mr. Waugh signed, subject to the approval of the United States Congress, the Agreement for the establishment of the Organization for Trade Cooperation.

5. Declaration on the Continued Application of the Schedules

(This Declaration prolongs the assured life of the tariff schedules annexed to the Agreement, from 1 July 1955 to 31 December 1957.)

6. Fourth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications

(This protocol is a routine instrument embodying minor amendments to the tariff schedules.)

7. Declaration extending the Validity of the earlier Declaration concerning relations with Japan

(This Declaration extends until 31 December 1955 the earlier Declaration, which has been accepted by a number of contracting parties, stating that, pending the formal accession of Japan, their commercial relations with Japan are governed by the provisions of the General Agreement.)

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