SUBJECT: RENEGOTIATION OF CHILEAN SCHEDULE

The Council of Representatives, at a meeting on 17 November, considered a request from the Government of Chile for a waiver under paragraph 5 of Article XXV to permit the application of a new customs tariff on 1 January 1967 to be followed by renegotiation of concessions in accordance with the provisions of the General Agreement. The Council established a working party to consider this request, and met again on 24 November to receive the working party's report.

The working party recommended that a waiver for one year be granted to the Government of Chile from its obligations under Article II, and prepared a draft decision to this effect. The working party's report and the text of the decision were distributed in document L/2713. The Council agreed to recommend to contracting parties that this waiver be granted. Many representatives attending the Council meeting voted in favour of the waiver on behalf of their governments.

Ballot papers are herewith distributed to contracting parties not represented at the Council meeting. The governments concerned are requested to complete the ballot papers and return them to the Secretariat by 30 December.

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