It was reported in GATT/CP.5/15 that Brazil, Cuba, Lebanon and Syria had not given notification, under paragraph 5 of the Annecy Protocol, of their intention to apply the concessions provided for in their Annecy schedules. The Delegation of Cuba has advised that its government would now be prepared to bring its Annecy schedule into force, and has enquired whether the Contracting Parties could arrange for an extension of the time limit for the submission of notifications.

If it is agreed by the Contracting Parties that Cuba should be accorded an extension of time to notify its intention to apply Annecy Schedule IX, this could be done by a decision under Article XXXIII, on the lines of the Decision of March 21, 1950, extending the time limit for submission of notification by Norway. In that event, the Contracting Parties might wish to consider the desirability of taking the decision without specific reference to the Government of Cuba, so that the Governments of Brazil, Lebanon and Syria could also take advantage of the extension, should they wish to do so.

A draft decision follows overleaf.
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OF ANNEX SCHEDULES

CONSIDERING that paragraph 3 of the Annecy Protocol of Terms of Accession to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade provides that notifications of intention to apply the concessions provided for in the schedules contained in Annex A thereto shall only be effective if received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations not later than April 30, 1950,

CONSIDERING that several contracting parties, owing to unavoidable circumstances, were unable to submit notifications by that date, and

CONSIDERING the desirability of affording an additional opportunity to those contracting parties to notify their intention to apply the concessions provided for in their respective schedules in Annex A to the said Protocol,

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES,

ACTING pursuant to Article XXIII of the General Agreement, in view of the special circumstances referred to above,

DECIDE that, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3 of the Annecy Protocol of Terms of Accession, notifications of intention to apply the concessions provided for in schedules in Annex A to the said Protocol shall be effective for all purposes of that Protocol if received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations not later than April 17, 1951, and

INSTRUCT the Executive Secretary to forward a copy of the present Decision to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.