The Pakistan Delegation would like to draw the attention of the Legal Working Party to the statement which was made by this Delegation to the Tariff Negotiations Working Party (GATT/TN.2/A/9). The position was sympathetically reported by the Tariff Negotiations Working Party to the Tariff Negotiations Committee in the former’s report (GATT/TN.2/23/Rev.1). The Tariff Negotiations Committee took note of this position.

The Pakistan Delegation hope to be in a position to furnish a list of items on which reservation is sought, in the course of the next few days.

The position of the Pakistan Delegation, for the purposes of signing the instrument involving the revalidation for a further period of 3 years of the existing Pakistan schedules to the General Agreement, is similar to that of the Australian Delegation.

Accordingly, the Pakistan Delegation also submit the following text of a reservation for approval by the Tariff Negotiations Committee:

"This signature on behalf of the Pakistan Government is subject to the following reservation which has been agreed to by the parties to this Protocol. With regard to paragraph 6 of the Protocol the Pakistan Government cannot accept the amendment to the text of paragraph 1 of Article XXVIII of the General Agreement insofar as this would involve the firm re-binding for a further period of 3 years of the following items in Schedule XV (Geneva and Annecy) to the General Agreement: -

(Here list the items)

"As regards these items the Pakistan Government reserves its right under Article XXVIII, and in accordance with the procedures prescribed therein, to modify or cease to apply the treatment which is at present accorded to these products under Article II of the General Agreement.

"This reservation is made without prejudice to the right of the Pakistan Government to seek modifications in Schedule XV under other provisions of the General Agreement, such as Article XVIII thereof".

Thus, the Pakistan Delegation would like to inform the Legal Working Party of their intention to reserve their right to modify or cease to apply the treatment accorded to certain products under Article II of the General Agreement and to seek modifications in Schedule XV under other provisions of the General Agreement.