ADMISSION OF UGANDA

Draft Declaration

In a communication dated 8 October 1962 the Government of the United Kingdom advised that the Government of Uganda would acquire, as from 9 October 1962, full autonomy in the conduct of its external commercial relations.

As advised in document L/1828, the Government of Uganda declared on 20 September 1962 that, on acquiring autonomy, it would wish to be deemed a contracting party pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVI.

The Government of Uganda has advised that it will be represented at the twentieth session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES. In order that the CONTRACTING PARTIES may be ready to take the necessary action to admit Uganda as a contracting party, the following draft text is distributed for consideration and will be submitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES for approval on the opening day of the session:

Taking note of the declaration by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of 8 October 1962 which informed the CONTRACTING PARTIES that the Government of Uganda would acquire on 9 October 1962 full responsibility for matters covered by the General Agreement in its territory,

Considering that, by the said declaration, the Government of the United Kingdom established the fact that, as from 9 October 1962, the Government of Uganda would be qualified, in the sense of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVI of the General Agreement, to become a contracting party in respect of the territory on behalf of which the Government of the United Kingdom has accepted the General Agreement, and

Taking note of the declaration by the Government of Uganda of 20 September 1962 that, having acquired full autonomy in the conduct of its external commercial relations and of the other matters provided for in the General Agreement, it would wish to be deemed a contracting party to the General Agreement pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVI,
The CONTRACTING PARTIES

Declare that the Government of Uganda is deemed to be a contracting party to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade as from 9 October 1962 and to have acquired the rights and obligations under the General Agreement of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in respect to its territory as from that date.