GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

Notification by Australia

Addendum

In accordance with sub-paragraph (c) of the waiver adopted by the CONTRACTING PARTIES under the Decision of 25 June 1971 (L/3545), the delegation of Australia has notified, for the information of contracting parties, the following changes in the Australian system of tariff preferences for developing countries.

(a) On 11 November 1975 the benefits of the system of tariff preferences for developing countries were extended to the following countries and dependencies:

Cape Verde Islands
Sao Tome and Principe
Angola
Comoro Islands
Republic of Nauru
Greece
Portugal and its dependencies (Timor and Macao)
French Dependencies -
   St. Pierre and Miquelon; French Polynesia;
   New Caledonia; Wallis and Futuna Islands;
   Territory of the Afars and Issar

United States Dependencies -

Wake Island; Trust Territory of Pacific Islands;
Virgin Islands; American Samoa; Midway Island;
Johnston and Sand Islands; Guam
British Indian Ocean Territory
Spanish Sahara

Accordingly, the above countries and territories should be added to the list of beneficiaries (L/3982, Appendix 1).

(b) The tariff preferences for developing countries in respect of balloons classifiable to tariff item 97.03.900 have been modified by introducing a developing country rate of duty of 24 per cent ad valorem. This will reduce the developing country margin of tariff preference from 34 per cent to 10 per cent.

Accordingly, "97.03.900 Toys" appearing in the list of items subject to preferential margins of more than 10 percentage points (L/3982, Appendix 5) should be amended to read "ex 97.03.900 Toys (excluding balloons)".

(c) Taiwan is excluded from the developing country preference margin on drilling machines of the bench or pedestal type, classified to sub-item 84.45.300.

(d) Brazil is excluded from the developing country preference margin on sub-item 41.02.9 and item 41.08 - bovine and equine leather, patent leather, imitation patent leather and metallized leather.

(e) Hong Kong and Taiwan are excluded from the developing country preference margin on sub-item 42.03.1 - work gloves, mittens or mitts of leather or composition leather. (cf. L/3982, Appendix 7)