Contracting parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (hereinafter referred to as "participants").

HAVING carried out negotiations with a view to introducing the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (hereinafter referred to as "the Harmonized System"), pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (hereinafter referred to as "the General Agreement") and the special procedures relating to the transposition of the current GATT concessions into the Harmonized System, adopted by the GATT Council on 12 July 1983.\(^1\)

HAVE, through their representatives, agreed as follows:

1. The schedule of tariff concessions annexed to this Protocol relating to a participant shall become a Schedule to the General Agreement relating to that participant on the day on which this Protocol enters into force for it pursuant to paragraph 3(c) and shall replace on that date the schedules of the participant which were annexed to the General Agreement before that date.

2.(a) For the purpose of the reference in paragraph 1(b) and (c) of Article II of the General Agreement to the date of that Agreement, the applicable date in respect of each product which is the subject of a concession provided for in a schedule of tariff concessions annexed to this Protocol shall be the date of annexation of the schedule to the Protocol, but without prejudice to any obligations in effect on that date.

(b) For the purpose of the reference in paragraph 6(a) of Article II of the General Agreement to the date of that Agreement, the applicable date in respect of a schedule of tariff concessions annexed to this Protocol shall be the date of annexation of the schedule to the Protocol.

3.(a) Participants may annex their schedules of tariff concessions to this Protocol until 31 December 1989.

\(^1\)/L/5470/Rev.1.
(b) This Protocol shall be open for acceptance by participants, by
signature or otherwise, until 31 December 1989.

(c) This Protocol shall enter into force on 10 February 1989 for those
participants which have accepted it on or before that date, and for
participants accepting it after that date, it shall enter into force
on the dates of acceptance.

4. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General to the
CONTRACTING PARTIES who shall promptly furnish a certified copy thereof and
a notification of each acceptance thereof pursuant to paragraph 3 to each
contracting party to the General Agreement and to the European Economic
Community.

5. This Protocol shall be registered in accordance with the provisions
of Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

DONE at Geneva this third day of February one thousand nine hundred
and eighty-nine, in a single copy, in the English, French and Spanish
languages, each text being authentic. The Schedules annexed hereto are
authentic in the English, French or Spanish language as specified in each
Schedule.