The following communication, dated 24 May 1993, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Brazil.

I refer to the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 8 November 1988 contained in document L/6426, which granted the Government of Brazil a waiver from its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement, with a view to allowing negotiations and consultations on the transposition of Schedule III (Brazil) into the Harmonized System.

Although Brazil has practically concluded negotiations with interested contracting parties, there remains the need for circulation of consolidated information on modifications introduced in the Brazilian nomenclature during the period of negotiation that result in some changes in Schedule III. Since the period for eventual comments on those changes will necessarily extend beyond 30 June 1993, Brazil requests a new extension of the waiver until 31 December 1993.