GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

STATUS OF PROTOCOLS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Report by the Executive Secretary

In order to expedite consideration of this item by the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their twelfth session, the Executive Secretary is submitting this report to the Intersessional Committee on the status of those instruments upon which some action is still required by one or more governments. Enquiries have been made to any contracting party whose signature is outstanding to a protocol with a view to obtaining information as to the position of that government's acceptance. The following is the status as of 16 September 1957 of the acceptances by contracting parties, insofar as replies have been received, which are outstanding to the various instruments:

(a) Protocol Amending Part I and Articles XXIX and XXX

States parties: 21    Required for entry into force: 35

Having not yet accepted:

Belgium
Brazil
Ceylon (will sign by twelfth session)
Chile
Dominican Republic
Finland (will sign by twelfth session)
Federal Republic of Germany (to be ratified in September)
Indonesia (has power to sign)
Italy
Luxemburg (no change in situation)
Kingdom of the Netherlands (parliamentary action not yet taken)
Peru
Turkey (ratified, signature soon)
Uruguay
(b) Protocol Amending the Preamble and Parts II and III

States parties: 21 Required for entry into force: 24

Having not yet accepted:

Belgium
Brazil
Ceylon (will sign by twelfth session)
Chile
Dominican Republic
Finland (will sign by twelfth session)
Federal Republic of Germany (to be ratified in September)
Indonesia (has power to sign)
Italy
Luxemburg (no change in situation)
Kingdom of the Netherlands (parliamentary action not yet taken)
Peru
Turkey (ratified, signature soon)
Uruguay

c) Protocol of Organizational Amendments

States parties: 16

Having not yet accepted:

Belgium
Brazil
Canada (no action taken)
Ceylon (will sign by twelfth session)
Chile
Cuba
Czechoslovakia
Dominican Republic
Finland (will sign by twelfth session)
France
Federal Republic of Germany (to be ratified in September)
Indonesia (in preparation for submission to Cabinet)
Italy
Luxemburg (no change in situation)
Kingdom of the Netherlands (parliamentary action not yet taken)
Peru
Sweden (has power to sign; decision by twelfth session)
Turkey (ratified, signature soon)
Uruguay
(d) Procès-Verbal of Signature Concerning the Protocol of Organizational Amendments

States parties: 18  Required for entry into force: 24

Having not yet accepted:

Belgium
Brazil
Canada (no action taken)
Ceylon (will sign by twelfth session)
Chile
Cuba
Czechoslovakia
Dominican Republic
Finland (will sign by twelfth session)
France
Indonesia (in preparation for submission to Cabinet)
Italy
Kingdom of the Netherlands (parliamentary action not yet taken)
Peru
Sweden (has power to sign; decision by twelfth session)
Turkey (ratified; signature soon)
Uruguay

(e) Procès-Verbal of Rectification Concerning the Protocols Amending Part I and Articles XXIX and XXX, the Preamble and Parts II and III and of Organizational Amendments

States parties: 21  Required for entry into force: 24

Having not yet accepted:

Belgium
Brazil
Ceylon (will sign by twelfth session)
Chile
Cuba
Dominican Republic
Finland (will sign by twelfth session)
Federal Republic of Germany (to be ratified in September)
Indonesia (has power to sign)
Italy
Peru
Sweden (has power to sign; decision by twelfth session)
Turkey (ratified, signature soon)
Uruguay
(f) Agreement on the Organization for Trade Cooperation

States parties: 11

Having not yet accepted:

- Australia (will accept after U.K. and U.S.A.)
- Belgium
- Brazil
- Canada (no action taken)
- Ceylon (will sign by twelfth session)
- Chile
- Cuba
- Czechoslovakia
- Dominican Republic
- Finland (will sign by twelfth session)
- France
- Federal Republic of Germany (to be ratified in September)
- Indonesia (in preparation for submission to Cabinet)
- Italy
- Luxemburg (no change in situation)
- Kingdom of the Netherlands (parliamentary action not yet taken)
- New Zealand (will accept at appropriate time)
- Peru
- Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland
- Sweden (has power to sign; decision by twelfth session)
- Turkey (ratified, confirmation soon)
- Union of South Africa (has power but awaiting U.K. and U.S.A. acceptances)
- United States of America (legislative action not yet taken)
- Uruguay

(g) Protocol of Rectification to the French Text

The rectifications to Parts II and III are in force for 28 governments.
The rectifications to Part I will not enter into force until the pro-
tocol has been signed by all 35 contracting parties, of which the
following have not yet accepted:

- Belgium
- Brazil
- Chile
- Federal Republic of Germany (ratification expected near future)
- Luxemburg (no change in situation)
- Peru
- Uruguay
(h) **Protocols of Rectifications and Modifications**  
Required for entry into force: 35

**Second Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications** (8 November 1952)  
States parties: 34  
Required: Signature by Chile

**Third Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications** (24 October 1953)  
States parties: 34  
Required: Signature by Chile

**Fourth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications** (7 March 1955)  
States parties: 31  
Having not yet accepted:  
Austria (depends upon entry into force of new tariff)  
Chile  
Nicaragua  
Turkey (ratified, confirmation soon)

**Fifth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications** (3 December 1955)  
States parties: 30  
Having not yet accepted:  
Brazil  
Chile  
Cuba  
Dominican Republic  
Uruguay

**Sixth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications** (11 April 1957)  
States parties: 11  
Having not yet accepted:  
Australia (full power in preparation)  
Austria (procedure for acceptance begun)  
Brazil  
Burma (expects to sign by twelfth session)  
Ceylon (has power to sign)  
Chile  
Cuba  
Czechoslovakia  
Denmark  
Dominican Republic  
France  
Federal Republic of Germany (in preparation for submission to Parliament)  
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Sixth Protocol of Accessions and Modifications continued

Greece
Haiti
Indonesia
Italy
Japan (in preparation for approval)
Luxembourg (no change in situation)
New Zealand (will sign by twelfth session)
Nicaragua
Pakistan
Peru
United Kingdom (will sign soon)
Uruguay

(i) Protocol of Terms of Accession of Japan

States parties: 17

Having not yet confirmed their signature:

Chile
Nicaragua

Having not yet put their tariff concessions into effect officially:

Chile
Nicaragua
Uruguay

(j) Sixth Protocol of Supplementary Concessions

States parties: 22

Having not yet put their tariff concessions into effect officially:

Austria (depends upon entry into force of new tariff)
Chile
Italy

(k) Seventh Protocol of Supplementary Concessions

States parties: 2

Having not put their tariff concessions into effect officially:

Austria
Federal Republic of Germany
(1) **International Convention to Facilitate the Importation of Commercial Samples and Advertising Material**

In force for 26 governments

Contracting parties having not yet accepted:

- Brazil
- Burma
- Canada
- Ceylon
- Chile
- Cuba
- Dominican Republic
- France
- Haiti
- Italy
- Nicaragua
- Peru
- United States of America
- Uruguay