I, the undersigned, Olivier Long, Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, having examined the authentic text of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, done at Geneva on 12 April 1979, have found that the English text of the said Agreement contains an error which should be rectified.

**Article 11, paragraph 2**

The English text of paragraph 2 of Article 11 now reads: "Parties shall, if requested, advise other Parties, especially the developing countries and shall grant them technical assistance on mutually agreed terms and conditions ... etc."

It is apparent from the context and in particular, from the words used in the four subsequent paragraphs of Article 11, that a comma after the words "developing countries" has been omitted and should therefore be inserted, so that the paragraph would begin as follows: "Parties shall, if requested, advise other Parties, especially the developing countries, and shall grant them technical assistance on mutually agreed terms and conditions ... etc."

Acting as depositary of the said Agreement, having notified the contracting parties of my intention and having received no objection thereto, I have caused a comma to be inserted in the second line of paragraph 2 of Article 11 after the words "developing countries" and have initialled this correction in the margin of the authentic text of the Agreement.

In witness whereof I have signed the present Procès-Verbal of Rectification, drawn up in the English, French and Spanish languages, on 17 December 1979.

Olivier Long
Director-General

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