I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Botswana accepted the above-mentioned Agreement on 13 August 1984 on the following terms of accession:

"Upon accepting the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade in accordance with Article 22.3 of that Agreement, the Government of Botswana declares that, until any such time that it might become a contracting party to the GATT, it will continue to apply de facto the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, and in particular Articles I and VII thereof, in its trade with all the Parties to the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to the extent necessary to ensure that advantages which accrue directly or indirectly under the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are not nullified or impaired, on the understanding that the Parties to the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade will equally apply de facto the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade in their trade with Botswana.

"The Government of Botswana declares its readiness to examine in the Committee on Customs Valuation any difficulty or matter that may arise related to the application of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade between Botswana and another Party."

In terms of its Article 24, the Agreement entered into force for Botswana on 12 September 1984.

This notification is furnished in accordance with Article 30 of the Agreement.

Arthur Dunkel
Director-General