Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that on 10 September 1955 the Protocol of Terms of Accession of Japan to the General Agreement, done at Geneva on 7 June 1955, entered into force in accordance with the terms of its paragraph 10.

In accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 1(c) and 10 of the Protocol, Schedule XXVIII relating to Japan and contained in Annex B of the Protocol entered into force on 10 September 1955, that is to say on the thirtieth day after the Protocol was signed by the Government of Japan and favourable votes were received from two-thirds of the governments which were then contracting parties to the decision for the accession of Japan to the General Agreement.

In addition, in accordance with paragraph 6(b), the signature on behalf of the Government of Japan constitutes acceptance of the rectifications, modifications, supplementations, or other modifications of the General Agreement provided for in any instruments which have been drawn up by the CONTRACTING PARTIES and opened for acceptance, but which had not become effective at the time the Protocol was signed by Japan, as follows:

Fourth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications to the annexes and to the texts of the Schedules annexed to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, done at Geneva on 7 March 1955;
Declaration on the continued application of Schedules to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, done at Geneva on 10 March 1955; Protocol of Rectification to the French Text of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, done at Geneva on 15 June 1955.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

E. Wyndham White
Executive Secretary