HARMONIZED SYSTEM - ARTICLE XXVIII NEGOTIATIONS

Submission of Documentation

Schedule I - Australia

1. The Government of Australia wishes to notify the Contracting Parties of its intention to enter into negotiations under Article XXVIII of the General Agreement in order to replace the present Schedule I - Commonwealth of Australia - with a Schedule conforming to the nomenclature of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System.

2. In accord with the procedures established in the Council Decision of 12 July 1983 (L/5470/Rev.1), Australia submits the following documents:

Annex 1 - Existing Schedule of Tariff Concessions.
Annex 2 - Proposed Schedule of Tariff Concessions.
Annex 3 - Cross reference from the existing to proposed Schedule I.
Annex 4 - Cross reference from the proposed to existing Schedule I.
Annex 5 - Imports into Australia of products subject to Tariff Concessions in Schedule I.
Annex 6 - Imports into Australia of products subject to renegotiations under Article XXVIII.

3. Australia is prepared to enter into consultations or negotiations in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article XXVIII. Any Contracting Party which considers that it has a right of consultation or negotiation in respect of any concession should transmit a communication to that effect within 90 days to the Australian Permanent Mission in Geneva, with a copy thereof to the GATT Secretariat. In order to expedite the consultations and negotiations, Contracting Parties should indicate the products and tariff item numbers on which consultations or negotiations are requested.

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1 English only.