HARMONIZED SYSTEM - ARTICLE XXVIII NEGOTIATIONS

Submission of Documentation

Schedule LXXIX - Thailand

The Government of Thailand wishes to submit the documentation listed below, with a view to introducing the nomenclature of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System), and in accordance with the procedures for negotiations under Article XXVIII of the General Agreement (BISD 27S/26) and the Decision of the Council of 12 July 1983 (BISD 30S/17) outlining the procedures for the transposition of GATT concessions into the Harmonized System nomenclature.

Annex I : Existing Tariff Schedule

The existing tariff Schedule LXXIX of Thailand was provided in loose-leaf format as indicated in document TAR/62 dated 28 October 1982 and TAR/67 dated 28 January 1983.

Annex II : Proposed Schedule LXXIX

The proposed schedule has been compiled to reflect all the existing bindings expressed in the nomenclature of the Harmonized System, and no bound rate has been changed. This schedule is authentic only in the English language.

Annex III : Concordance Table from the Existing to the Proposed Schedule

The concordance table provides a cross reference only in respect of those tariff items which are subject to bindings.

Annex IV : Concordance Table from the Proposed to the Existing Schedule

The concordance table provides a cross reference only in respect of those tariff headings which are subject to bindings.

Trade statistics have not been provided as all INRs have been preserved and no bound rate of duty has been changed.

1English only
The Permanent Mission of Thailand has already informed the contracting parties that its authorities intend to apply the Harmonized System as of 1 January 1988 and has emphasized that in the process of conversion there has been no change either in product descriptions, tariff rates of bound items or Initial Negotiating Rights.

Thailand is ready to enter into negotiations or consultations under the relevant provisions of Article XXVIII. Any contracting party which considers that it has an interest in a concession should transmit a communication in writing to that effect within ninety days to the Permanent Mission of Thailand, with a copy to GATT secretariat. To expedite negotiations or consultations, such a communication should preferably include the products and item numbers in question.

See doc. W.43/3 (waiver request)