ARTICLE XI

The Government of Switzerland reserves its position with regard to the application of the provisions of Article XI of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to permit the Swiss Government to apply import restrictions pursuant to Article 23 of the Federal Law of 3 October 1951. In applying measures under this Law the Swiss Government will so far as is consistent with the implementation of this Law, observe to the fullest possible extent the appropriate provisions of the General Agreement, and in particular will endeavour to ensure that it is applied in such a manner as to cause minimum harm to the interests of the signatories to this Declaration. The Swiss Government, consistently with Article XIII of the General Agreement, will apply all restrictions imposed under the Law in accordance with the principles of non-discrimination, and pursuant to Article XXII of the General Agreement and to paragraph 1 of Article XXIII, will give sympathetic consideration to any representations made to it by any other signatory to this Declaration, and enter into consultations with respect to such representations. At the first session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES following the entry into force of this Declaration and at each annual session thereafter so long as the Declaration remains in force, the Swiss Government will furnish to the CONTRACTING PARTIES a report of the measures maintained consistently with this reservation, and upon request of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, enter into consultation with them regarding such measures.

ARTICLE XV

The Government of Switzerland reserves its position with respect to the provisions of paragraph 6 of Article XV. Switzerland however undertakes that it will act in exchange matters in accordance with the intent of the General Agreement and in particular undertakes not, by exchange action, to frustrate the intent of the provisions of the General Agreement, which are incorporated by reference to the present Declaration. Switzerland agrees to consult at any time subject to thirty days notice with the CONTRACTING PARTIES at the request of any signatory to this Declaration which considers that Switzerland has taken exchange action which is frustrating the intent of the provisions of the General Agreement.

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FURTHER DECLARATION BY SWITZERLAND

Following the entry into force of this Declaration, and the approval by the CONTRACTING PARTIES of a concurrent Decision inviting Switzerland to participate fully in the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, Switzerland will enter into consultations with the CONTRACTING PARTIES with a view to finding solutions fully consistent with the basic principles of the General Agreement, to the problems dealt with in the foregoing reservations which at present prevent the definitive accession of Switzerland to the General Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Article XXXIII.