Draft Procès-Verbal extending the Declaration of 22 November 1958 c: the provisional accession of the Swiss Confederation to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

The parties to the Declaration on the Provisional Accession of the Swiss Confederation to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, of 22 November 1958 (hereinafter referred to as "the General Agreement" and "Swiss Declaration of 22 November 1958", respectively),

DESIRING to extend the Declaration pursuant to paragraph 8 thereof,

ACTING pursuant to paragraph 8 thereof,

AGREE:

1. The maximum period of validity of the Swiss Declaration of 22 November 1958 is extended for three years by changing the date in paragraph 8 from "31 December 1961" to "31 December 1964".

2. The following consequential amendments are also made to the Swiss Declaration of 22 November 1958:

(a) Paragraph 7 is amended to read as follows:

"7. This Declaration shall remain open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by contracting parties to the General Agreement and by other Governments which have acceded provisionally to that Agreement, such contracting parties or other Governments having entered into negotiations with the Government of the Swiss Confederation pursuant to Article XXVIII bis of the General Agreement or, not having conducted such negotiations, have agreed with that Government that their trade relations should be governed by the terms of this Declaration, and by the Government of the Swiss Confederation. Moreover, new Schedules, containing new concessions or modifications of existing Schedules resulting from compliance with provisions of this Declaration or of the General Agreement, may be annexed to this Declaration."

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(b) Paragraph 8 is amended by deleting "and any contracting party on
the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been
accepted, by signature or otherwise, on behalf of the Swiss
Confederation and of that contracting party;" and by inserting in
place thereof "and any contracting party, or other Government which
shall have acceded provisionally, on the thirtieth day following
the day upon which it shall have been accepted on behalf of the
Swiss Confederation and that contracting party or other Government;"

3. This Procès-Verbal shall be deposited with the Executive Secretary
of the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the General Agreement. It shall remain open
for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by contracting parties and other
Governments which have accepted the Swiss Declaration of 22 November 1958.

4. This Procès-Verbal shall enter into force upon its acceptance by all
the parties to the Swiss Declaration of 22 November 1958;
Provided that, if it shall not have been accepted by all such parties
prior to 1 January 1962, it shall enter into force on that date in respect
of those Governments which shall then have accepted it and, for any
Government subsequently accepting it, it shall enter into force upon such
acceptance or upon the entry into force of the Swiss Declaration of
22 November 1958 in respect of such Government, whichever is the later.

5. The Executive Secretary shall promptly furnish a certified copy of
this Procès-Verbal and a notification of each acceptance thereof to the
Government of the Swiss Confederation; to each contracting party to the
General Agreement, to each Government which enters into negotiations for
accession to that Agreement, and to each Government which has acceded
 provisionally thereto.

Done at Geneva this ______ day of December one thousand nine
hundred and sixty-one, in a single copy in the English and French languages,
both texts being authentic.

[Signatures]