CONSIDERING that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by their Decision of 3 December 1955, decided that the provisions of Article I of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade shall not prevent the Government of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and the Government of Australia, during the initial life of their trade agreement concluded on 30 June 1955, from completing the process of adjustment in the preferences accorded therein to one another;

CONSIDERING that the Government of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and the Government of Australia have reported to the CONTRACTING PARTIES that, owing to unavoidable circumstances, they have not been able to complete their negotiations for the adjustment of such preferences within the time envisaged, that is by 1 July 1958;

CONSIDERING FURTHER that the Government of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, as a result of the adoption of a new tariff to replace the tariffs previously in force in the territories which now constitute the Federation, has found it necessary to make adjustments in the arrangements entered into by Southern Rhodesia prior to the establishment of the Federation which provide, for a limited number of commodities originating in Mozambique, advantages similar to those which contracting parties are authorized under paragraph 3(a) of Article XXIV of the General Agreement to grant to adjacent territories in order to facilitate frontier traffic; and that such adjustments may at a later stage include the possible application of those advantages to both the adjacent territories of Mozambique and Angola;

CONSIDERING FURTHER that procedures were provided in the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 3 December 1955, relating to the tariff of the Federation, whereby sixty days' notice of any adjustments is required to be given to CONTRACTING PARTIES, and that copies of the relevant provisions of the renegotiated agreement between the Federation and the Portuguese Government have been circulated to contracting parties prior to ratification in order that any contracting parties affected may, within sixty days of the receipt of such copies, consult with the Federation;
The CONTRACTING PARTIES, acting pursuant to Article XXV:5,

DECIDE

1. that the time-limit set in sub-paragraph (ii) and (iii) of paragraph (b) in the Decision of 3 December 1955, for the completion of the process of adjustment of preferences in the trade agreement concluded by the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and Australia on 1 July 1955, shall be extended to 1 July 1959;

2. that the Government of the Federation shall be free to complete, before 1 July 1959, the process of adjustment in its tariff arising out of the negotiations between the Federation and the Portuguese Government;

provided that the negotiations under paragraphs 1 and 2 above shall be subject to all the provisions and conditions of the Decision of 3 December 1955.