CHILE — ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE VII

Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication, dated 20 November 1991, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Chile with the request that it be circulated to the contracting parties and considered by the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their forty-seventh session.

As you are aware, Chile has completed the transposition of its Customs Tariff into the Harmonized System, but the documentation required under the procedures of Article XXVIII is currently under preparation. Observations have been made in that connection by some contracting parties.

Chile therefore requests the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their forthcoming session to extend until 30 June 1992 the waiver of its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement.

To facilitate consideration of this matter, a draft Decision is annexed.
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Draft Decision on Extension of Time-Limit

Considering that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 5 December 1989, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Chile to implement the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System) on 1 January 1990 and subsequently conduct negotiations:

Considering further that, by a Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, the time-limit for the completion of the negotiations or consultations was extended until 31 December 1991:

Considering that the responsible authorities of Chile have completed the transposition of its Customs Tariff into the Harmonized System, but that the documentation required under the procedures of Article XXVIII is currently under preparation and that observations have been made in that connection by some contracting parties:

Taking note that the Government of Chile has requested the extension of the waiver until 30 June 1992:

The CONTRACTING PARTIES, acting pursuant to the provisions of Article XXV:5 of the General Agreement,

Decide, in view of the exceptional circumstances, to extend until 30 June 1992 the time-limit provided for in the Decision of 5 December 1989.