URUGUAY - RENEGOTIATION OF SCHEDULE XXXI

Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication, dated 10 November 1992, has been received from the Permanent Delegation of Uruguay.


In order to be able to finalize the process of renegotiation of Schedule XXXI and its transposition to the Harmonized System, and taking into account the time-limit for the distribution and certification of schedules, Uruguay requests an extension until 30 June 1993 of the waiver it has been granted.

To facilitate consideration of this waiver, the text of a draft Decision is annexed.
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Draft Decision

Considering that the Government of Uruguay, in a communication dated 22 October 1990 (L/6752), has informed the CONTRACTING PARTIES that it is engaged in a process of simplifying, reducing and harmonizing its import tariff and of adjusting Uruguay's original Schedule of Concessions in the light of the changes made in the tariff nomenclature and duties.

Noting that the work of adjusting the original Schedule of Tariff Concessions has been completed and has been submitted for consideration by the CONTRACTING PARTIES in document L/6689/Add.3, dated 28 September 1990;

Considering that in order to enable the Government of Uruguay to conduct the process of consultation and renegotiation of Schedule XXXI according to the procedures established under Article XXVIII, the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by a Decision of 7 December 1990¹, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement;

Taking into account that by Executive Decree No. 304/92, dated 1 July 1992, the Government of Uruguay decided to implement the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System) as from 1 January 1993, and will transmit the relevant documentation as rapidly as possible.

Noting that for the purposes of this implementation, the Government of Uruguay has requested an extension of the waiver until 30 June 1993;

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

Decide, in view of the exceptional circumstances, to extend until 30 June 1993 the time-limit established in the Decision of 7 December 1990.

¹BISD 37S/295