The following communication, dated 16 November 1992, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Senegal.

The CONTRACTING PARTIES, by their Decision referred to below, granted Senegal a further six-month extension until 31 December 1992, of the waiver of its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement for the purpose of the establishment of a new Schedule of Tariff Concessions.

The new schedule and the accompanying documentation was being finalized when technical difficulties, now being resolved, appeared at the last moment and thus delayed its circulation to contracting parties.

In these circumstances, and with a view to the forthcoming negotiations with the contracting parties concerned under Article XXVIII, the Government of the Republic of Senegal requests a further six-month extension, until 30 June 1993, of the waiver which it was granted under Article XXV:5 of the General Agreement.

In order to facilitate consideration of this matter, the text of a draft decision is annexed.
ANNEX

SENEGAL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE XLIX

Draft Decision on Extension of Time-limit

Considering that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 7 December 1990, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of the Republic of Senegal to implement its new tariff resulting from a thorough re-organization and the introduction of the Harmonized System, and thereafter to conduct negotiations;

Considering that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by successive decisions, extended until 31 December 1992 the time-limit established for the completion of the negotiations or consultations to be conducted by the Government of Senegal;

Noting that the circulation to contracting parties of the new schedule and the accompanying documentation has been delayed owing to technical difficulties;

Considering that the Government of the Republic of Senegal has requested a further extension until 30 June 1993 in order to conduct the negotiations and consultations provided for by the procedures under Article XXVIII of the General Agreement;

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 1993, the time-limit provided for in the Decision of 7 December 1990.

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1 BISD, 37S/295
2 L/7063