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Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication, dated 7 November 1994, has been received from the Permanent Mission of El Salvador.

On behalf of the Government of El Salvador, I have the pleasure to refer to the temporary waiver of Article II of the General Agreement granted to El Salvador by the GATT CONTRACTING PARTIES' Decision of 26 January 1994.¹ The waiver was granted to enable El Salvador to carry out the process of transposing the concessions it had negotiated in the framework of its accession to GATT, as set forth in Schedule LXXXVII, into the Harmonized System Nomenclature.

In view of the fact that the process of transposition into the Harmonized System will not have been completed by 31 December 1994, I wish to request the GATT CONTRACTING PARTIES at their session in December 1994 to grant El Salvador an extension of the waiver for a period of six months.

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

¹L/7404.
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Draft Decision on Extension of Waiver

Considering that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 26 January 1994\(^1\), suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to enable the Government of El Salvador to carry out the process of transposing the concessions negotiated by El Salvador in the course of its accession to GATT, as set forth in Schedule LXXXVII, into the Harmonized System Nomenclature;

Taking into account that the submission of the relevant documentation for the implementation of the Harmonized System will take place in the course of 1994;

Considering that the Government of El Salvador has requested an extension of the waiver until 30 June 1995 in order to complete the process of transposition into the Harmonized System;

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 1995 the time-limit provided for in the Decision of 26 January 1994.

\(^{1}\text{L/7404.} \)