BOLIVIA - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE LXXXIV

Request for Extension of Waiver

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

The Permanent Mission of Bolivia to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations at Geneva presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Committee on Tariff Concessions and refers to his proposal concerning requests for extensions of waivers.

The CONTRACTING PARTIES decided to grant Bolivia a waiver suspending the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement with respect to Schedule LXXXIV of Bolivia until 31 December 1994.

The competent authorities in Bolivia are making great efforts to provide the documentation required for the renegotiations under Article XXVIII of the General Agreement. Nevertheless, for technical reasons this information will be submitted to the GATT Secretariat shortly.

Accordingly, in order to allow Bolivia to hold consultations with interested contracting parties pursuant to paragraphs 1-3 of Article XXVIII, if necessary, the Government of Bolivia has to request a temporary extension until 30 June 1995 of the waiver of its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement.

Consequently, the Permanent Mission of Bolivia has the pleasure to provide the following information:

- The date of the original waiver is 3 December 1992.

- The main reason why the documentation has not yet been submitted concerns technical format errors.


- The Bolivian authorities have given assurances that they will provide the information in the coming weeks.

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

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Draft Decision on Extension of Time-Limit

Considering that the Contracting Parties, by a Decision of 3 December 1992¹, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to enable the Government of Bolivia to implement the NANDINA (Harmonized System) and carry out negotiations subsequently;

Considering that the competent authorities in Bolivia are making great efforts to provide the documentation required for renegotiations under Article XXVIII of the General Agreement;

Taking into account that it is primarily due to technical format errors that the documentation has not yet been submitted and that the Bolivian authorities have given assurances that they will provide the information shortly;

Considering that the Government of Bolivia has requested an extension of the waiver until 30 June 1995 in order to complete consultations with interested contracting parties;

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 the time-limit provided for in the Decision of 3 December 1992 until 30 June 1995.

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