The following communication has been received from the delegation of Mexico.

The Government of Mexico has accepted the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, ad referendum on 24 July 1987. The Government of Mexico considers that national legislation relating to technical regulations, standards and certification systems, specifically the General Law Concerning Standards and Weights and Measures, the Law Concerning Animal and Plant Health and the General Law Concerning Health, published in the Diario Oficial de la Federación (Official Journal) on 7 April 1961, 13 December 1974 and 7 January 1986, respectively, are in keeping with the provisions of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade.

The Government of Mexico considers that Mexico is a developing country within the meaning of Article 12 of the Agreement, and that consequently the provisions of that Article are fully applicable to Mexico.

The Government of Mexico has the firm intention to observe scrupulously the undertakings stemming from the Agreement; nevertheless, in the event that difficulties should arise in the future, my country's Government trusts that we may turn to the governments of Parties to the Agreement and to the GATT secretariat itself to receive not only due understanding but also the technical and other support, co-operation and assistance to enable Mexico fully to observe the undertakings into which it has entered on 24 July 1987.