The following detailed amendments to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are submitted by the United States Delegation consequent upon its proposal for a separate Protocol on provisional application of the Agreement.

ARTICLE XXIV

Amend the title to read "Signature and Entry into Force".

Add the following new paragraph as paragraph 1 and renumber the following paragraphs accordingly:

"1. The present Agreement shall bear this day's date. It shall be open for signature until June 30, 1948, at the Headquarters of the United Nations, Lake Success, New York, by any government signatory of the Final Act adopted at the conclusion of the Second Session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment which shall not have signed this Agreement on this day."

Amend the present paragraph 4 as follows:

"4. This Agreement shall enter [definitely] into force, as among the governments accepting it, on the thirtieth day following the day on which instruments of acceptance have been deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on behalf of signatory governments the territories of which account for 85% of the total trade of the territories of the [Signatory]
governments signatory of the Final Act adopted at the conclusion of the Second Session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment, as set forth in Annex G."

**ARTICLE XXX.**

Amend paragraphs 1 and 2 as follows:

"1. The contracting parties to this Agreement shall be understood to mean those governments which are applying the provisions of this Agreement pursuant to Article 7 XXIV or XXXII or to the Protocol of Provisional Application accompanying this Agreement.

"2. At any time after the definitive entry into force of this Agreement pursuant to paragraph 5 of Article XXIV those contracting parties which have accepted this Agreement pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article XXIV may decide that any contracting party which has not so accepted this Agreement shall cease to be a contracting party."

Delete Article XXXII and amend the closing paragraphs as follows:

"IN WITNESS WHEREOF the respective Representatives, after having exchanged communicated their full powers, found to be in good and due form, have signed this Agreement and have affixed their seals hereto.

"DONE in duplicate in a single copy, in the English and French languages, both authentic, at Geneva, this day of ______________, 1947.

FOR THE etc. [Note: each signature would be accompanied by an indication of the date of signature, i.e.]:"
FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

John Doe
30 September 1947

There would be a Protocol of Provisional Application which would be a separate and distinct international instrument, along the following lines:

"PROTOCOL OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

"The Governments of the Commonwealth of Australia, Belgium (in respect of the metropolitan territory) and Luxembourg, Canada, the French Republic (in respect of the metropolitan territory), the Netherlands (in respect of the metropolitan territory), the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (in respect of the metropolitan territory), and the United States of America, undertake, provided that all of such governments shall have signed this Protocol not later than November 15, 1947, to apply provisionally on and after January 1, 1948 (a) Parts I and III of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and (b) Part II of that Agreement to the fullest extent not inconsistent with existing legislation. The above-named governments shall make effective such provisional application of the General Agreement, in respect of any of their territories other than their metropolitan territories, on or after January 1, 1948, upon the expiration of thirty days from the day on which notice of such application is received by the Secretary-General of the United Nations. Any other government signatory of this
Protocol shall make effective such provisional application of the General Agreement, on or after January 1, 1948, upon the expiration of thirty days from the day of the signature of this Protocol by such government.

"Any government provisionally applying the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade pursuant to this Protocol shall be free to withdraw such provisional application, in whole or in part, on sixty days' written notice to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

"This Protocol shall be open for signature until June 30, 1948, at the Headquarters of the United Nations, Lake Success, New York, by any government signatory of the Final Act adopted at the conclusion of the Second Session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment which shall not have signed this Protocol on this day.

"The original of this Protocol shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who will furnish certified copies thereof to all interested governments.

"IN WITNESS WHEREOF the respective Representatives, after having communicated their full powers, found to be in good and due form, have signed this Protocol and have affixed their seals hereto.

"DONE in a single copy, in the English and French languages, both authentic, at Geneva, this ______ day of ____________ 1947.

"FOR THE etc. Note: each signature would be accompanied by an indication of the date of signature, i.e.:

FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

John Doe
30 September 1947"