

GATT/AIR/56 (SECRET)

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**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION UNDER THE WAIVER
GRANTED TO THE UNITED KINGDOM**

REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE DECISION OF 24 OCTOBER 1953 GRANTING A WAIVER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER ARTICLE I:4(b) OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT IN RELATION TO PRODUCTS TRADITIONALLY ADMITTED FREE OF DUTY FROM COUNTRIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH (SEE BASIC INSTRUMENTS AND SELECTED DOCUMENTS, SECOND SUPPLEMENT, PAGE 20 AND W.9/237). IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES WHICH FORM A PART OF THAT DECISION THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM HAS SUBMITTED A NOTIFICATION OF A DECISION WHICH IT HAS TAKEN RELATING TO WOOD WOOL (GROUP XI(3) OF PART 3 OF THE UNITED KINGDOM TARIFF).

PARAGRAPH (b) OF THE PROCEDURES PROVIDES THAT THE UNITED KINGDOM WILL ENTER INTO CONSULTATIONS WITH ANY CONTRACTING PARTY WHICH ON CERTAIN SPECIFIED GROUNDS SO REQUESTS WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF THE NOTIFICATION, AND THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY SUCH REQUEST THE WAIVER SHALL APPLY TO THE ITEM IN QUESTION AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THAT THIRTY DAY PERIOD. FOR THIS PURPOSE THE DATE OF THE NOTIFICATION WILL BE 19 MARCH 1955.

..... THE COMMUNICATION FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT IS REPRODUCED IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT (SECRET/33), AND A COPY OF THE STATISTICAL DATA FURNISHED BY THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT IS ALSO ATTACHED.

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