

11 MARCH 1993

SUBJECT: ACCESSION OF CHINESE TAIPEI

1. AT ITS MEETING ON 6 NOVEMBER 1992, THE WORKING PARTY ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNCIL TO EXAMINE THE REQUEST OF CHINESE TAIPEI FOR ACCESSION TO THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ADOPTED A TENTATIVE TIME-TABLE FOR ITS FUTURE WORK WHICH ENVISAGED THAT THE SECOND MEETING OF THE WORKING PARTY WOULD TAKE PLACE AT THE END OF MARCH 1993. HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE FOREIGN TRADE REGIME OF CHINESE TAIPEI WERE SUBMITTED WITH CONSIDERABLE DELAY, IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE FOR THE AUTHORITIES OF CHINESE TAIPEI TO SUBMIT THEIR REPLIES IN EARLY MARCH AS FORESEEN AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING. IT IS NOW EXPECTED THAT THE REPLIES OF CHINESE TAIPEI TO THE QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE SECRETARIAT IN MID-MARCH 1993. THEREFORE, THE SECOND MEETING OF THE WORKING PARTY WILL TAKE PLACE ON 15-16 APRIL 1993. THE MEETING WILL COMMENCE ON 15 APRIL 1993 AT 10 A.M. IN THE CENTRE WILLIAM RAPPARD, 154 RUE DE LAUSANNE, GENEVA.

2. THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DELEGATIONS:

- TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE WORKING PARTY (L/7095/REV.1);
- MEMORANDUM ON FOREIGN TRADE REGIME OF CHINESE TAIPEI (L/7097 AND ADDENDA);
- QUESTIONS AND REPLIES CONCERNING THE FOREIGN TRADE REGIME OF CHINESE TAIPEI (L/7189).

3. CONTRACTING PARTIES WISHING TO SERVE ON THE WORKING PARTY, AS WELL AS OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES AND ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WISHING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS AT THE MEETING, ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

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