

AIRGRAM

TÉLÉGRAMME PAR AVION

GATT/AIR/42

12 March 1954

SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF 24 OCTOBER 1953 ON THE CONTINUED APPLICATION OF SCHEDULES TO GATT - REQUEST BY PERU

I HAVE RECEIVED A TELEGRAM FROM THE MINISTER IN CHARGE OF FOREIGN RELATIONS IN PERU ADVISING THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WAS UNABLE TO SIGN THE DECLARATION EXTENDING THE ASSURED LIFE OF THE SCHEDULES BY 31 DECEMBER 1953 AND THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WISHES TO BE ALLOWED TO BECOME A PARTY TO THE DECLARATION. ACCORDINGLY PERU ASKS FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE TIME-LIMIT UNTIL 30 APRIL 1954 AND A DRAFT DECISION GRANTING THIS FOLLOWS.

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES ARE ASKED TO RECORD THEIR VOTES BY 10 APRIL. AS IT IS NECESSARY THAT EACH GOVERNMENT WHICH IS A PARTY TO THE DECLARATION ON THE CONTINUED APPLICATION OF SCHEDULES SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THIS VOTE, I WOULD REQUEST YOUR GOVERNMENT TO COMMUNICATE WITH ME BY THAT DATE.

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DRAFT DECISION EXTENDING THE TIME-LIMIT FOR SIGNATURE BY PERU OF THE DECLARATION ON THE CONTINUED APPLICATION OF SCHEDULES TO GATT

CONSIDERING that the Declaration of 24 October 1953 on the Continued Application of Schedules to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade remained open for signature until 31 December 1953,

CONSIDERING that the Government of Peru was not able to sign the Declaration by the said date and has requested an extension of time, and

CONSIDERING the desirability of affording an additional opportunity to the Government of Peru to sign the Declaration,

THE CONTRACTING PARTIES DECIDE that, notwithstanding the provisions of the third paragraph of the Declaration, signature by the Government of Peru, if affixed not later than 30 April 1954, shall have the same effects as if it had been affixed by 31 December 1953, and

INSTRUCT the Executive Secretary to forward a copy of this Decision to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.