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MOROCCO - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE LXXXI

Extension of Time-Limit

The following communication, dated 7 November 1994, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Morocco.

Pursuant to your fax dated 26 October 1994, I have the honour to ask you to include in the agenda for the next session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES the request of the Moroccan Government for an extension (until 30 June 1995) of the waiver of Article II of the General Agreement granted to it for the transposition of its Tariff into the Harmonized System.

Please find below the information requested in your questionnaire:

Date of original waiver: 20 July 1992.¹

Documentation: No documentation submitted.

Number of extension and date when granted: Three: 19 July 1993; 17 January 1994; and 21 July 1994.

Status of outstanding negotiations: No ongoing negotiations as the necessary documentation has not been submitted.

Outlook for concluding the process: By 30 June 1995.

To facilitate consideration of this matter, the text of a draft Decision is annexed.

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ANNEX

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Draft Decision on Extension of Time-Limit

<u>Considering</u> that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 20 July 1992¹ and subsequent Decisions, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Morocco to implement the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System) on 1 July 1992 and carry out negotiations subsequently;

Noting that the documents have not yet been submitted;

<u>Considering</u> that the Government of Morocco has requested an extension of the waiver until 30 June 1995;

The CONTRACTING PARTIES, acting pursuant to the provisions of Article XXV:5 of the General Agreement,

<u>Decide</u>, in view of the exceptional circumstances, to extend the time-limit provided for in the Decision of 20 July 1992 until 30 June 1995.