

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

CONTRACTING PARTIES

ACCEPTANCE OF PROTOCOLS

Establishment of a Common Text of the General Agreement

At their Fourth Session the Contracting Parties adopted a resolution inviting all contracting parties to accept each of the protocols which modifies the text of the Agreement if they had not already done so, so that a uniform text applicable to all contracting parties might be established. These contracting parties were invited to sign or accept all outstanding protocols prior to the opening of the Torquay Conference on 28 September.

The following is a list of the outstanding protocols together with the names of the contracting parties which, according to information received to date from the Headquarters of the United Nations, have not signed or accepted them:

1. Protocols in force, but not accepted by all contracting parties
(action required:- deposit of instrument of acceptance)

<u>Name of Protocol</u>	<u>Contracting parties which have not accepted</u>
Protocol 2 - Special Protocol relating to Article XXIV	Australia [Ⓐ] Brazil <i>action taken.</i> Burma New Zealand [Ⓐ]
Protocol 7 - Protocol Modifying Article XXVI	Burma Chile Indonesia

2. Protocols not yet in force (requiring unanimity)

<u>Name of Protocol</u>	<u>Action required</u>	<u>Contracting parties which have not accepted or signed</u>
Protocol 4 - Protocol Modifying Part I and Article XXIX	Deposit of instrument of acceptance	Chile
Protocol 8 - Protocol Replacing Schedule I (Australia)	Signature	Burma
Protocol 9 - Protocol Replacing Schedule VI (Ceylon)	Signature	Burma Chile

[Ⓐ]The Australian Delegation has advised the Secretariat that the Government of Australia is taking steps to accept the Special Protocol relating to Article XXIV, and the New Zealand Delegation has advised that the Government of New Zealand is reconsidering the question of acceptance.

<u>Name of Protocol</u>	<u>Action required</u>	<u>Contracting parties which have not accepted or signed</u>
First Protocol of Modifications	Signature	Burma Chile
Third Protocol of Rectifications	Signature	Burma
Fourth Protocol of Rectifications	Signature	Brazil Chile Syria Burma Lebanon <i>action taken.</i>

3. The Annex Protocol of Terms of Accession:

As the same time it may be useful to record the position in respect of acceptance of the Annex Protocol:

- (a) The Protocol was signed in respect of the acceding governments by each of the contracting parties concerned with the exception of Cuba which invoked the provisions of Article XXIV for each of the acceding governments except Haiti.
- (b) The Protocol was signed by each of the acceding governments with the exception of Uruguay.
- (c) A notification of intention to apply the concessions provided for in schedules in Annex A was submitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations under para.3 of the Annex Protocol by each of the contracting parties concerned with the exception of Brazil, Cuba, Lebanon and Syria.

