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ACCESSION OF BANGLADESH

The following communication dated 16 February 1983 has been received from the representative of Bangladesh requesting an extension of the duration of the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh, which, in accordance with its paragraphs 3 and 6, as extended by the decision of the Committee of Participating Countries of 18 March 1980, will expire on 28 March 1983.

I refer to the Protocol for the Accession of Bangladesh to the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries dated 20 August 1976 which is reproduced in the twenty-third supplement of GATT's "Basic Instruments and Selected Documents" (pages 157-159). As the period of validity of this Protocol is due to terminate on 28 March 1983, my authorities have asked me to request an extension of the duration of the Protocol for a further period of three years.

To facilitate consideration of this request at the meeting of the Committee of Participating Countries on 16 March 1983, the secretariat has drawn up a draft Decision extending the duration of the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh. This draft is annexed hereto.

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ANNEX

Extension of the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh

Draft Decision

Considering the request of the Government of Bangladesh for an extension of the duration of its Protocol of Accession to the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries for a further period;

The COMMITTEE OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

Decides in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 14 of the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries to extend the duration of the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh until 28 March 1986.