

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

**RESTRICTED**

L/851

9 September 1958

Limited Distribution

**SCHEDULE XX - UNITED STATES**

Modification of Item 1520 - Hatters' fur, etc.  
under the terms of Article XIX

### Restoration of concession

By Proclamation of 5 January 1952 the President of the United States took action under Article XIX of the General Agreement to suspend the rate of duty of 15 per cent ad valorem with respect to the following item, bound in Schedule XX (Geneva 1947):

<u>Tariff Act of 1930, paragraph</u>	<u>Description of products</u>	<u>Rate of duty</u>
1520	Hatters' furs, or furs not on the skin, prepared for hatters' use, including fur skins carpeted.	15 % ad val.

and applied as from the close of business on 8 February 1952 the following rate:

47½ cents per pound, but not less than 15 per cent nor more than 35 per cent ad valorem.

The United States Government has now informed the Executive Secretary that the President of the United States has decided to accept the recommendation of the United States Tariff Commission to restore the tariff concession on this item with effect as from the close of business on 13 September, 1958.

In notifying this action to the Executive Secretary, the representative of the United States states:

"I am sure you will appreciate that this action has been taken by the President in accordance with the general principle that increases in duty resulting from escape-clause actions are temporary in nature, and that the United States Government intends to maintain increased duties only so long as necessary to prevent or to remedy serious injury to domestic industries."

<sup>1</sup> Following this action the Belgian Government (L/9) suspended to the trade of the United States the application, as from 22 May 1952, of the following concession in Schedule II - Benelux, Section A - Metropolitan Territories:

312 Mastics; sealing wax and bottling wax:  
a. Mastics . . . . . 4 p.c.

