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PROVISIONAL ACCESSION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

The Director-General has received a communication, dated 21 October 1968, from the representative of the United Arab Republic recalling that the Declaration on the Provisional Accession of the United Arab Republic will expire on 31 December 1968 and requesting that the necessary steps be taken during the twenty-fifth session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES to prolong the Declaration for a further year.

To facilitate consideration of this request, the secretariat has drawn up a draft proces-verbal extending the Declaration on provisional accession and a draft decision prolonging the invitation to the United Arab Republic to participate in the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES. These drafts are annexed hereto.

A note on the present status of the Declaration is also annexed.

Annex 1

FOURTH PROCES-VERBAL EXTENDING THE DECLARATION ON THE PROVISIONAL ACCESSION OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

Draft

The parties to the Declaration of 13 November 1962 on the Provisional Accession of the United Arab Republic to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (hereinafter referred to as "the Declaration" and "the General Agreement", respectively),

Acting pursuant to paragraph 4 of the Declaration,

Agree that

- 1. The period of validity of the Declaration is extended for a further year by changing the date in paragraph 4 to "31 December 1969".
- 2. This Proces-Verbal shall be deposited with the Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the General Agreement. It shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the United Arab Republic and by the participating governments. It shall become effective between the Government of the United Arab Republic and any participating government as soon as it shall have been accepted by the Government of the United Arab Republic and such government.
- 3. The Director-General shall furnish a certified copy of this Procès-Verbal and a notification of each acceptance thereof to the Government of the United Arab Republic and to each contracting party to the General Agreement.

Done at Geneva this day of November, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight in a single copy in the English and French languages, both texts being authentic.

Annex 2

FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE DECISION OF 13 NOVEMBER 1962 INVITING THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

Draft

Considering that the parties to the Declaration of 13 November 1962 on the Provisional Accession of the United Arab Republic to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are taking steps, pursuant to paragraph 4 of that Declaration, to extend further the period of validity of the Declaration:

The CONTRACTING PARTIES

Decide to extend further the period of validity of the Decision of 13 November 1962, which provided for the participation of the United Arab Republic in the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, until the Government of the United Arab Republic accedes to the General Agreement under the provisions of Article XXXIII or until 31 December 1969, whichever date is earlier.

Annex 3

STATUS OF PROVISIONAL ACCESSION

The validity of the Declaration of 13 November 1962 on the Provisional Accession of the United Arab Republic was extended by the Third Procès-Verbal of 14 November 1967 until 31 December 1968.

The Declaration is in force between the United Arab Republic and the following Governments, which have accepted both the Declaration and the Third Procès-Verbal:

> Australia Canada Czechoslovakia France India Ivory Coast Japan

Netherlands, Kingdom of the

Nigeria Norway Pakistan Spain Sweden Turkey

United Kingdom Yugoslavia

The following Governments, having accepted the Declaration, have not yet accepted the Third Proces-Verbal:

Austria Argentina Belgium Brazil Central African Rep. Ceylon Chad Chile Cuba Cyprus Dahomey Denmark Dominican Republic Finland Gambia

Germany, Fed. Rep. of

Ghana Greece Guyana Haiti Iceland Indonesia Italy Jamaica Kenya Kuwait Luxemburg Madagascar Malawi Malaysia Malta Mauritania

New Zealand Micaragua Niger Peru Rhodesia Senegal Sierra Leone Switzerland Tanzania Trinidad and Tobago Tunisia

Uganda United States

Uruguay

Accepted the Third Procès-Verbal subject to ratification.