

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Note by the Director-General

The Government of Ireland has drawn attention to an error in the authentic text of the Protocol for the Accession of Ireland.¹ Sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 of that Protocol incorrectly refers to preferences in respect of Ireland permitted by paragraph 2(b) of Article I of the General Agreement. The correct reference should be: paragraph 2(a) of Article I of the General Agreement, which refers to preferences in force between territories listed in Annex A, which list includes Ireland.

Sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 2 of the Protocol for the Accession of Ireland should therefore be corrected to read:

"The date of 10 April 1947, referred to in paragraph 4 of Article I of the General Agreement in relation to preferences in respect of import duties or charges permitted by paragraph 2(a) of that Article, shall be replaced in respect of Ireland by the date of this Protocol."

As depositary of the Protocol, I shall cause the correction to be made to the authentic text unless a contracting party notifies me of an objection before 1 March 1970. In due course, the correction will be certified by a Procès-Verbal of Rectification.

¹BISD, Fifteenth Supplement, page 41; Legal Instruments Embodying the Results of the 1964-67 Trade Conference, page 3790.