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Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication, dated 8 July 1974, has been received from the Permanent Mission of India.

I have the honour to refer to the waiver of 16 March 1973 (L/3831), permitting the Government of India to modify certain bound rates of duty. The waiver required the Government of India to complete the negotiations by 30 June 1974.

The Government of India have held detailed negotiations with the interested contracting parties and have achieved considerable progress. The expectation of the Government of India was that it would be possible to complete these negotiations by 30 June 1974. However, these expectations have not been fulfilled and the negotiations are likely to continue for some more time. We would, therefore, request for extension of the waiver by a few months. It is requested that necessary action may be taken for putting this item on the agenda for the next Council Meeting.

The request by the Government of India will be put on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Council.