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Action in Respect of Sheets and Plates of Iron or Steel

Addendum

Extension of Time-Limit

The following joint communication dated 15 July 1975 has been received from the Permanent Missions of Australia and the United States.

GATT document L/4166 dated 14 March 1975 contains a notification from the Government of Australia concerning action under GATT Article XIX with respect to the quantitative restrictions on imports of hot-rolled sheets and plates of iron or steel not exceeding 3.2 mm in thickness and cold-rolled sheets and plates of iron or steel of a kind falling within tariff sub-item 73.13.1.

The Government of the United States informed the Permanent Mission of Australia in Geneva on 24 March 1975 (C/M/105) that it accepted the Australian offer to enter into Article XIX consultations.

These consultations, however, will not be concluded prior to the expiration of the ninety-day period provided in Article XIX:3. Therefore, the Governments of the United States and Australia have agreed that their reciprocal rights and obligations under the General Agreement shall be maintained as though the ninety-day period set forth in Article XIX:3 shall begin to run from 13 June 1975.