

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

### Notification by Norway

The following communication from the delegation of Norway is circulated for the information of the contracting parties.

A revised, comprehensive edition of the Norwegian Scheme for Generalized Preferences applicable as from 1 July 1975 is in the process of being reproduced and will be made available in the near future when a complete notification will be made.

In the revised version of the Norwegian Scheme of Generalized Preferences the rules of origin have been somewhat simplified, and harmonized and adapted to those of the European Community. The following important amendments have been made:

- With regard to products consigned to Norway via member States of the EEC or EFTA, original certificates of origin are no longer required; the certified photocopies thereof sent from the customs authorities in these States will suffice (cf. Article 6 of the Rules of Origin).
- The rules have been liberalized in that approximately thirty product headings have been eliminated from List A and approximately 180 headings, including a large number of chemicals, have been added to List B.

It is hoped that the simplification and harmonization of the rules of origin will help to improve the utilization of the Norwegian system by the developing countries.

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