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Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication has been received from the Permanent Mission of Indonesia.

By a Decision of 13 November 1973¹, the CONTRACTING PARTIES suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the GATT to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Indonesia to apply the rates of duty contained in its Tariff of Customs Duty of 1 February 1973 which may exceed those bound in Schedule XXI, pending completion of negetiations for modifications or withdrawal of concessions in that Schedule. The renegotiations or consultations required under this waiver shall be completed not later than 31 December 1975.

The carrying out of the negetiations has unfortunately been considerably delayed due to unforcescable administrative and technical difficulties.

As it is now clear that these negotiations will not have been completed by 31 December 1975, my Government therefore finds it necessary to request an extension of the validity of the waiver for a further year, i.e. until 31 December 1976.

This request will be considered by the Council at its next meeting.

¹BISD, 20S, page 28