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## NEGOTIATIONS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XXIV:6

### Communication from the Commission of the European Communities

The following communication, dated 8 May 1981, has been received from the delegation of the Commission of the European Communities.

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During the GATT Council of 25 July 1979, the European Communities stated that, subsequent to the Accession of Greece to the EEC, they would follow the procedures of Article XXIV of the General Agreement.

Under the provisions of Article XXIV, particularly paragraph 6, the European Communities intend to replace Schedule XXV of Greece and Schedule LXXII and LXXII Bis of the European Communities of Nine by a new schedule of concessions valid for the Communities of Ten.

The European Communities propose that contracting parties wishing to enter into tariff renegotiations following the formation of the enlarged customs union consider for this purpose that the concessions bound in Schedule LXXII and LXXII Bis are essentially those to be offered as applicable in the customs territory of the enlarged Community.

This proposal is made to enable the parties concerned to proceed with the "compensatory adjustment" in conformity with Article XXIV:6.