

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13 NOVEMBER 1987

Chairman: Mr. A. Dell (United Kingdom)

#### A. Extension of deadline for acceptance of Protocol

1. The purpose of the meeting was to extend the deadline of 16 November 1987 for the acceptance of the Protocol Amending the Agreement on Government Procurement (GATT/AIR/2513).

2. The Chairman recalled that at the time of the last meeting, two Parties, the European Economic Community and Israel had not accepted the Protocol. Israel had subsequently submitted its instrument of acceptance on 11 November 1987.

3. The representative of the European Economic Community informed the Committee that her authorities would provide the Permanent Mission with the necessary powers in order to accept the Protocol on 16 November 1987.

4. In reply to the representative of the United States, the secretariat explained that the date of a Party's acceptance was the date the Protocol was signed in the GATT, or the date of receipt in the GATT of the instrument of accession.

5. The Chairman enquired whether the Committee was satisfied that an extension of the deadline was unnecessary.

6. No statements to the contrary were made, and the deadline was therefore not extended.

7. The Chairman added that the secretariat would inform the Parties of the date of entry into force of the Protocol.

Note: The European Economic Community accepted the Protocol on 16 November 1987. The Protocol will enter into force on the ninetieth day following the acceptance by all Parties, i.e. 14 February 1988.

#### B. Other Business

##### (i) 1986 Statistics

The Chairman urged Parties who had not yet done so, to submit their 1986 statistics.

##### (ii) Dates of next meetings

The Committee agreed that the next meeting of the Committee and the Informal Working Group would be held during the week of 14 March 1988.