## **GENERAL AGREEMENT ON**

L/7059 22 July 1992 Limited Distribution

### TARIFFS AND TRADE

#### MALAYSIA - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE XXXIX

#### Extension of Time-Limit

# Decision of 20 July 19921

Considering that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 3 December 1987, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Malaysia to implement the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System) on 1 January 1988 and carry out negotiations subsequently;

Considering that, by subsequent Decisions, the CONTRACTING PARTIES extended the time-limit for the completion of the negotiations or consultations to be conducted by the Government of Malaysia until 30 June 1992;

Considering that the required Harmonized System documentation has been circulated with document SECRET/HS/23 and Corr.1 and that, as a consequence, a number of requests for consultations and negotiations have been made to the Government of Malaysia;

 $\underline{\text{Noting}}$  that the Government of Malaysia is in the final stage of revising the HS documentation;

Recognizing that, in view of the time constraint, it will not be possible for the Government of Malaysia to conclude the necessary consultations and negotiations under Article XXVIII before 30 June 1992;

Considering that the Government of Malaysia has requested an extension of the waiver until 31 December 1992;

The CONTRACTING PARTIES, acting pursuant to the provisions of Article XXV:5 of the General Agreement,

<u>Decide</u>, in view of the exceptional circumstances, to extend the time-limit, provided for in the Decision of 3 December 1987, until 31 December 1992.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Decision was adopted by postal ballot. There were 61 votes in favour and none against.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>BISD 34S/30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>L/6957.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>L/7015.