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## AZERBAIJAN - REQUEST FOR OBSERVER STATUS

The following communication from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan has been received on 6 January 1993.

On behalf of the Government of the Azerbaijan Republic, I have the honour to declare as follows:

Azerbaijan Republic, being a UN member State and confirming its commitment to the letter and spirit of the UN Charter, attaching great importance to the mutually beneficial multilateral cooperation in the interests of the development of international trade, sharing the goals and views of the GATT, expresses its will to participate in the GATT activities in the capacity of an observer.

It is hoped that observership in the GATT will facilitate and speed up the processes of transition of Azerbaijan to a market economy and its integration into the world economy.

Therefore, we submit this application for granting observer status in GATT to Azerbaijan.

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