

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ADMISSION OF SAINT LUCIA AS A CONTRACTING PARTY

Certification by the Director-General

In document L/4798 of 25 April 1979, contracting parties were informed by the Government of the United Kingdom that Saint Lucia had acquired, on 22 February 1979, full autonomy in the conduct of its external commercial relations and of other matters provided for in the General Agreement. Thus the fact that Saint Lucia was qualified, in the sense of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVII, to become a contracting party has been established.

The Government of Saint Lucia has been applying the General Agreement on a de facto basis, pursuant to the recommendations of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 18 November 1960 and of 11 November 1967. On 13 April 1993 the Government of Saint Lucia communicated to me its decision to become a contracting party to the General Agreement under the provisions of Article XXVI:5(c). Since the conditions required by this Article have been met, Saint Lucia has become a contracting party on 13 April 1993; its rights and obligations date from 22 February 1979.