

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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## THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC - REQUEST FOR OBSERVER STATUS

The following communication, dated 22 June 1993, has been received from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic.

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The Kyrgyz Republic, having started democratic changes in various spheres of social life, is undertaking efforts to integrate into the world economic community including the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), which regulates intergovernmental relationships in the sphere of international trade. In this field, each country has its own national currency and establishes financial and economic policies according to the GATT regulations. The Government of the Kyrgyz Republic intends to meet these requirements. Pursuant to a Prime Minister's decree the national currency has been recently introduced within the Republic, and the relevant policies are being worked out. Taking into account the above-mentioned factors, as well as the active involvement of CIS States in GATT's activities, I have the honour on behalf of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic to request the granting of observer status by the GATT Council.