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(as at 26 November 1993)

<u>Addendum</u>

Further to the acceptances stated in document L/6453 and Add.1-20, the following communications have been received on the dates specified:

- C. Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade
 - Thailand acceptance

1 November 1993

- K. Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
 - Spain withdrawal from the Agreement

8 November 1993

The withdrawal was accompanied by the following communication:

"On 9 May 1980, Spain acceded, subject to ratification, to the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI (Anti-Dumping Code); the accession was ratified on 18 June 1981 and came into effect on 19 July of that year.

On the other hand, with effect from 1 January 1986, Spain became a full Member State of the European Communities. Since the European Economic Community is a party to the above-mentioned Agreement of 12 April 1979 and the Protocol thereto, there is no reason for Spain to continue in addition to be a party to that Agreement in an individual capacity.

Consequently, in accordance with the provisions of Article 16:9 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI, I wish to inform you that Spain is withdrawing from the above-mentioned Agreement, thus ending the legal anomaly that has existed since 1986.

As explained above, this notice of withdrawal is prompted by reasons of a legal and formal nature, and in no way affects my country's participation in the above-mentioned Agreement and the Protocol thereto, so that as from the date on which the withdrawal takes effect, Spain's participation will be not in an individual capacity but as a Member State of the European Economic Community, which is a party to that Agreement."