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ADMISSION OF BRUNEI DARUSSALAM AS A CONTRACTING PARTY

Certification by the Director-General

In document L/5608 of 7 February 1984, contracting parties were informed by the United Kingdom that Brunei had on 31 December 1983 become independent under the name of Brunei Darussalam and had thus acquired full autonomy in the conduct of its external commercial relations and of other matters provided for in the General Agreement. Thus, the fact that Brunei Darussalam was qualified, in the sense of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVI, to become a contracting party has been established.

The Government of Brunei Darussalam has been applying the General Agreement on a de-facto basis, pursuant to recommendations of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 18 November 1960 and of 11 November 1967. On 9 December 1993, the Government of Brunei Darussalam 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, Brunei Darussalam has become a contracting party on 9 December 1993; its rights and obligations date from 31 December 1983.