

**GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON 'TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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**ADMISSION OF ANGOLA AS A CONTRACTING PARTY**

**CERTIFICATION BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

In document L/4388 of 31 August 1976 contracting parties were informed by the Government of Portugal that as a result of its accession to independence the customs territory of Angola had acquired full autonomy in the conduct of its external commercial relations and other matters provided for in the General Agreement. Thus the fact that Angola was qualified in the sense of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVI to become a contracting party has been established.

The Government of Angola has since 11 November 1975, 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 8 April 1994 the Government of Angola 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, Angola has become a contracting party on 8 April 1994. Its rights and obligations date from 11 November 1975.