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Extension of Time-Limit

In accordance with the agreement reached by the Committee on Tariff Concessions on 6 December 1993 concerning the extension of waivers, the following communication, dated 10 June 1994, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Zaire.

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Zaire, I have the honour to request a further six-month extension of the waiver granted to Zaire under Article XXV:5 of the General Agreement.

In the context of the renegotiation of its schedule of concessions, Zaire requested and obtained from the CONTRACTING PARTIES on 5 December 1989¹ a waiver of its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement. This waiver has been repeatedly renewed so as to enable it to prepare and have circulated all the required documentation. Six extensions have been granted, on 16 July 1990, 1 July 1991, 4 December 1991, 3 December 1992, 19 July 1993 and 17 January 1994.

The concessions to be renegotiated and the statistical data were transmitted to the Secretariat for circulation to Contracting Parties in July 1992 and January 1993 (SECRET/331/Add.1).

In order to allow the Contracting Parties to study the documentation and negotiate with its delegation, the Government of Zaire requested a further six-month extension until 30 June 1994.² However, the negotiations have not yet been completed. The questions of five delegations have been referred to the competent authorities of Zaire, who envisage sending a mission to Geneva to hold and conclude discussions there with all the delegations concerned as rapidly as possible and before the end of 1994.

¹BISD, 36S/435.

²L/7394.