## **GENERAL AGREEMENT**

**ON TARIFFS AND TRADE** 

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## ZAIRE - RENEGOTIATION OF SCHEDULE LXVIII

## Extension of Time-Limit

## Decision of 9 December 1994

<u>Considering</u> that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by their Decision of 5 December 1989<sup>1</sup>, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Zaire to implement its new tariff resulting from the thorough reorganization and the introduction of the Harmonized System, and subsequently to conduct negotiations;

<u>Noting</u> that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by successive Decisions, extended until 31 December  $1994^2$  the time-limit for the completion of the negotiations or consultations to be conducted by the Government of Zaire;

<u>Taking into account</u> that the Government of Zaire has transmitted revised statistical data to the Secretariat for circulation to contracting parties<sup>3</sup>;

<u>Considering</u> that the questions of five delegations under Article XXVIII have been transmitted 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;

Considering that the Government of Zaire has requested an extension of the waiver until 30 June 1995<sup>4</sup>;

The CONTRACTING PARTIES, acting pursuant to the provisions of Article XXV:5 of the General Agreement,

<u>Decide</u>, in view of the exceptional circumstances, to extend the time-limit provided for in the Decision of 5 December 1989 until 30 June 1995.

<sup>1</sup>BISD 36S/435.

<sup>2</sup>L/7521.

<sup>4</sup>W.50/18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>SECRET/332 and Add.1.