

**GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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ADMISSION OF SOLOMON ISLANDS AS A CONTRACTING PARTY

Certification by the Director-General

In document L/4796 of 25 April 1979, the contracting parties were informed by the Government of the United Kingdom that Solomon Islands as from 7 July 1978, 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 Solomon Islands was qualified in the sense of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVI to become a contracting party had been established.

The Government of Solomon Islands has been applying the General Agreement, on a de facto basis, pursuant to recommendations of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of November 1960 and 11 November 1967. On 28 December 1994, the Government of Solomon Islands communicated to me its decision to become a contracting party to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade under the provisions of Article XXVI:5(c). Since the conditions required by this Article have been met, Solomon Islands has become a contracting party on 28 December 1994; its rights and obligations dating from 7 July 1978.