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GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS & TRADE

Contracting Parties

Second Session

WORKING PARTY 3 ON MODIFICATIONS TO THE GENERAL AGREEMENT  
REPORT OF THE LEGAL WORKING GROUP.

1. The Legal Working Group recommends the attached Draft Protocol for adoption by the Working Party.
2. The Government of Chile would not be included as a party to the Protocol as provision has been made to cover acceptance by the Government of Chile in the Draft Protocol which the Legal Working Group has prepared for consideration by the contracting parties in connection with the request by the Government of Chile for an extension of time in which to sign the Protocol of Provisional Application.
3. Parts of paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 have been presented in square brackets. If the contracting parties agree that a contracting party should be permitted to accept one or more of the revised texts and not the others, the second alternative shown by the square brackets in paragraphs 4 and 5 should be deleted and the words in square brackets in paragraph 6 retained. In the event of the contracting parties deciding that the revised texts are part and parcel of the one bargain, the opposite procedure should be followed.

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The Governments of - acting  
in their capacity of contracting parties to the General  
Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (hereinafter referred to as  
the Agreement)

HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:-

1. The texts of Articles I, II and XXIX of the Agreement shall read as follows:-

2. The texts of Articles III, VI, XIII, XV, XXVI and XXVIII of the Agreement shall read as follows:-

3. This Protocol done in a single English and a single French original both texts authentic shall, following its signature at the close of the Second Session of the Contracting Parties, be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations. The deposit of the Protocol will, as from the date of deposit, constitute an acceptance of the Protocol by any government whose representative has signed without qualification. The instruments of acceptance of other governments will be deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

4. ~~Each of~~ ~~the text~~ set out in paragraph 1 of this Protocol shall enter into force upon acceptance of ~~it~~ ~~them~~ by all the governments which are at the time contracting parties.

5. ~~Each of~~ ~~The texts~~ set out in paragraph 2 of this Protocol shall enter into force upon acceptance of ~~it~~ ~~them~~ by two thirds of the governments which are at that time contracting parties.

6. The Secretary-General of the United Nations will inform all interested governments of each acceptance of this Protocol ~~or part thereof~~ and of the date upon which ~~each part of~~ this Protocol enters into force. The Secretary-General is authorized to effect registration of this Protocol at the appropriate time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the respective representatives duly authorized to that effect, have signed the present Protocol.  
DONE at Geneva this        day of August one thousand nine hundred and forty eight.