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ARTICLE XIX - ACTION BY AUSTRALIA

Brandy

Addendum

MODIFICATION OF ACTION

The following communication, dated 7 February 1979, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Australia.

The Australian Government wishes to advise the contracting parties that it has decided, with effect from 22 February 1979, to exempt imports of cognac from the temporary measures applying to the importation of brandy, in accordance with Article XIX of the General Agreement.

An appropriate classification will be provided within the Australian customs tariff to reflect the treatment to be accorded to imports of cognac.

Temporary assistance arrangements will continue to apply to all grape brandies except cognac pending receipt and consideration by the Government of the Industries Assistance Commission Report on the long-term assistance needs of the potable spirits industry.

Tariff quota entitlements will be allocated for a further six months with effect from 22 February 1979 on the same basis as at present.

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