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INDIA - AUXILIARY DUTY OF CUSTOMS

Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication, dated 28 March 1978, has been received from the permanent mission of India.

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I have the honour to refer to the decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 26 July 1977 (L/4546) to waive until 31 March 1978, the application of the provisions of paragraph 1 of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of India to apply the temporary auxiliary duty of customs and to state that in view of continuing difficult financial resource position, the Government of India propose to continue the levy of auxiliary duty of customs for a further period of one year from 1 April 1978, subject to approval of Parliament. There is no change in the rates of levy. It may be mentioned that despite various measures proposed to be undertaken to raise further revenue, the resource problem continues to be difficult. The continuance of auxiliary duties of customs has been found inescapable. Extension of waiver for another year is, therefore, requested.

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The Indian request will be put on the agenda of the next meeting of the Council.

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