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INDONESIA - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE XXI

Extension of Time-Limit

Decision of 29 February 19801/

<u>Considering</u> that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 22 November 1976^{2/} suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Indonesian Government to maintain in force its new Customs Tariff, subject to certain specified conditions;

<u>Considering</u> that among the conditions mentioned above was the obligation to conduct negotiations or consultations in conformity with the principles of Article XXVIII, while the detailed procedural requirements of this Article would not apply, and to terminate such negotiations or consultations before 31 December 1977;

<u>Considering</u> that the CONTRACTING PARTIES by Decisions of 29 November $1977^{3/}$ and 27 November $1978^{4/}$ extended the time-limit for the completion of the negotiations or consultations to be conducted by the Government of Indonesia until 31 December 1978 and 31 December 1979 respectively;

<u>Considering</u> that consultations and preliminary negotiations have been undertaken since 1977 but that during the last stages of the Multilateral Trade Negotiations priority was directed towards negotiations in the framework of the MTN and that therefore it has not been possible for the Government of Indonesia to conclude the negotiations and consultations concerning the establishment of their new Schedule XXI by 31 December 1979;

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

<u>Decide</u> that the time-limit provided for in paragraph 1 of the Decision of 22 November 1976 shall be extended until 31 December 1980.

 $\frac{1}{1}$ The Decision was adopted by postal ballot. There were 49 votes in favour and none against.

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