

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
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PROVISIONAL ACCESSION OF COLOMBIA

The Director-General has received the following communication from the representative of Colombia requesting a further extension of the Declaration on Provisional Accession, dated 23 July 1975, which will expire on 31 December 1980.

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Colombia requests the extension, for an additional period, of the Declaration of 23 July 1975 on the Provisional Accession of Colombia to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which is due to expire on 31 December of this year.

To facilitate consideration of this request at the next Council meeting, the secretariat has drawn up a draft procès-verbal extending the Declaration on Provisional Accession and a draft decision prolonging the invitation to Colombia to participate in the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES. These drafts are annexed hereto.

A note on the present status of the Declaration is also annexed.

ANNEX 1

Third Procès-Verbal Extending the Declaration on
the Provisional Accession of Colombia

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The parties to the Declaration of 23 July 1975 on the Provisional Accession of Colombia to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (hereinafter referred to as "the Declaration" and "the General Agreement", respectively),

Acting pursuant to paragraph 4 of the Declaration,

Agree that

1. The validity of the Declaration is extended by changing the date in paragraph 4 to "31 December 1981".
2. This Procès-Verbal shall be deposited with the Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the General Agreement. It shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Colombia and by the participating governments. It shall become effective between the Government of Colombia and any participating government as soon as it shall have been accepted by the Government of Colombia and such government.
3. The Director-General shall furnish a certified copy of this Procès-Verbal and a notification of each acceptance thereof to the Government of Colombia and to each contracting party to the General Agreement.

Done at Geneva this day of,
one thousand nine hundred and eighty in a single copy in the English,
French and Spanish languages, each text being authentic.

ANNEX 2

Further Extension of the Decision of 23 July 1975 Inviting
Colombia to Participate in the Work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES

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Considering that the parties to the Declaration of 23 July 1975 on the Provisional Accession of Colombia to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are taking steps, pursuant to paragraph 4 of that Declaration, to extend the period of validity of the Declaration;

The CONTRACTING PARTIES

Decide to extend the period of validity of the Decision of 23 July 1975, which provided for the participation of Colombia in the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, until the Government of Colombia accedes to the General Agreement under the provisions of Article XXXVIII or until 31 December 1981, whichever date is earlier.

ANNEX 3

Status of Provisional Accession

The Declaration on the Provisional Accession of Colombia, which was extended by the Second Procès-Verbal of 14 November 1978 until 31 December 1980, is in force between Colombia and the following Governments which have accepted both the Declaration and the Second Procès-Verbal.

Brazil	Japan
Czechoslovakia	Korea
Finland	Netherlands
Germany	Romania
	South Africa

The following Governments, having accepted the Declaration, have so far not accepted the Second Procès-Verbal:

Argentina	Nicaragua
Australia	Peru
Austria ¹	Poland
Chile	Sweden
Cuba	Trinidad and Tobago
Egypt	United States
France	

¹Second Procès-Verbal accepted subject to ratification.