

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## PROVISIONAL ACCESSION OF TUNISIA

The Director-General has received the following communication from the Permanent Mission of Tunisia requesting a further extension of the Declaration on Provisional Accession which, under the Thirteenth Procès-Verbal dated 24 November 1981, will expire on 31 December 1982.

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The Permanent Mission of Tunisia presents its compliments to the GATT secretariat and has the honour to advise it that the Tunisian Government requests an extension of the Declaration of 12 November 1959 on the Provisional Accession of Tunisia to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

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To facilitate consideration of this request at the thirty-eighth session, the secretariat has drawn up a draft procès-verbal extending the Declaration on Provisional Accession and a draft decision prolonging the invitation to Tunisia 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

Fourteenth Procès-Verbal Extending the Declaration on the  
Provisional Accession of Tunisia

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The parties to the Declaration of 12 November 1959 on the Provisional Accession of Tunisia to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (hereinafter referred to as "the Declaration" and "the General Agreement", respectively,

Acting pursuant to paragraph 6 of the Declaration,

Agree that

1. The validity of the Declaration is extended by changing the date in paragraph 6 to "31 December 1983".
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 Tunisia and by the participating governments. It shall become effective between the Government of Tunisia and any participating government as soon as it shall have been accepted by the Government of Tunisia 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 Tunisia and to each contracting party to the General Agreement.

Done at Geneva this ..... day of .....,  
one thousand nine hundred and eighty-two in a single copy in the  
English and French languages, both texts being authentic.

ANNEX 2

Further Extension of the Decision of 12 November 1959 Inviting  
Tunisia to Participate in the Work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES

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Considering that the parties to the Declaration of 12 November 1959 on the Provisional Accession of Tunisia to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are taking steps, pursuant to paragraph 6 of that Declaration, to extend further the period of validity of the Declaration:

The CONTRACTING PARTIES

Decide to extend further the period of validity of the Decision of 12 November 1959, which provided for the participation of Tunisia in the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, until the Government of Tunisia accedes to the General Agreement under the provisions of Article XXXIII or until 31 December 1983, whichever date is earlier.

ANNEX 3

Status of Provisional Accession

The validity of the Declaration of 12 November 1959 was extended by the Thirteenth Procès-Verbal of 24 November 1981 until 31 December 1982.

The Declaration is in force between Tunisia and the following Governments which have accepted both the Declaration and the Thirteenth Procès-Verbal:

|         |               |
|---------|---------------|
| Austria | Germany, F.R. |
| Brazil  | Japan         |
| Finland | Romania       |

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

|                |             |                          |
|----------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Australia      | India       | Poland                   |
| Belgium        | Indonesia   | Spain                    |
| Canada         | Israel      | Sri Lanka                |
| Chile          | Korea       | Sweden                   |
| Cuba           | Luxemburg   | Switzerland              |
| Czechoslovakia | Malaysia    | Turkey                   |
| Denmark        | Netherlands | United Kingdom           |
| Egypt          | New Zealand | United States of America |
| France         | Norway      | Uruguay                  |
| Ghana          | Pakistan    | Yugoslavia               |
| Greece         | Peru        | Zimbabwe                 |

The following Governments, having succeeded to the Declaration, have not accepted the Thirteenth Procès-Verbal:

|                             |            |                     |
|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| Barbados                    | Jamaica    | Senegal             |
| Benin                       | Kenya      | Sierra Leone        |
| Central African<br>Republic | Kuwait     | Suriname            |
| Chad                        | Madagascar | Tanzania            |
| Cyprus                      | Malawi     | Trinidad and Tobago |
| Gambia                      | Malta      | Uganda              |
| Guyana                      | Mauritius  | Upper Volta         |
| Ivory Coast                 | Niger      |                     |
|                             | Nigeria    |                     |