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INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK - REQUEST FOR OBSERVER STATUS

The following communication, dated 14 August 1984, has been received from the Inter-American Development Bank:

I have the honour to request, on behalf of the Inter-American Development Bank, that the Bank be granted observer status to the annual sessions of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of the GATT, as well as to those of the Council.

As you are aware, the Bank has for many years been following the work of the GATT, whose reports on international trade have consistently been helpful to the activities of the Bank as a multinational institution, with 43 member states, devoted to the promotion of the economic and social development of its members in Latin America. The Bank is now desirous of establishing a more systematic and formal relation with your institution; hence its interest in being granted the observer status herein applied for.