

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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L/6296

14 January 1988

TARIFFS AND TRADE

Limited Distribution

ADMISSION OF LESOTHO AS A CONTRACTING PARTY

Certification by the Director-General

In document L/2701 of 28 October 1966 the contracting parties were informed by the Government of the United Kingdom that on 4 October 1966 Lesotho had acquired full autonomy for its external commercial relations. Thus, the fact that Lesotho was qualified, in the sense of paragraph 5(c) of Article XXVI, to become a contracting party had been established.

The Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho has been applying the General Agreement on a de facto basis, pursuant to the Recommendations of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 18 November 1960 and of 11 November 1967. On 8 January 1988 the Government advised me that it wished to be deemed a contracting party to the General Agreement under the provisions of Article XXVI:5(c). Since the conditions required by Article XXVI:5(c) have been met, Lesotho has become a contracting party; its rights and obligations date from 4 October 1966.