

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

# TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## WORKING PARTY ON CHINA'S STATUS AS A CONTRACTING PARTY

Chairman: H.E. Mr. Pierre-Louis Girard (Switzerland)

### Membership:

Australia	India	Philippines
Austria	Israel	Poland
Brazil	Jamaica	Singapore
Canada	Japan	Sweden
Chile	Korea	Switzerland
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Czechoslovakia	Malaysia	Turkey
European Communities and member States	Mexico	United States
Finland	New Zealand	Uruguay
Hong Kong	Norway	Yugoslavia
Hungary	Pakistan	
	Peru	

### Terms of reference:

The People's Republic of China has submitted to the GATT CONTRACTING PARTIES a request to resume its status as a contracting party (L/6017) and a Memorandum on the People's Republic of China's Foreign Trade Régime (L/6125). Taking note of the statements made in the Council of 4 March 1987, a Working Party was established by the Council. This Working Party will examine the foreign trade régime of the People's Republic of China, develop a draft Protocol setting out the respective rights and obligations, provide a forum for the negotiation of a schedule, address as appropriate other issues concerning the People's Republic of China and the GATT, including procedures for decision-making by the CONTRACTING PARTIES, and make recommendations to the Council.