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TURKEY - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE YYXVII

Extension of Time-Limit

<u>Revision</u>

The following communication dated 26 October 1989 has been received from the Permanent Mission of Turkey with the request that it be circulated to the contracting parties and considered by the CONTRACTING PARTIES at the next meeting of the Council.

With reference to the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 8 November 1988 contained in document L/6428 to grant the Government of Turkey a waiver from its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement, I have the honour to inform you that Turkey has completed the documentation for the transposition of the Customs Tariff from the CCCN to the Harmonized System, and circulated it in document SECRET/HS/22 to the contracting parties on 16 January 1989. Thereafter, the Government of Turkey has promptly entered into negotiations and consultations with the interested contracting parties. Turkey has further circulated on 23 June 1989 document SECRET/HS/22/Add.1 to propose to the contracting parties Turkey's entries for columns 5, 6 and 7 in her HS Schedule XXXVII.

However, due to pending reservations of some of the contracting parties on the HS Schedule XXXVII of Turkey, it may not be possible to complete the required negotiations and consultations before 31 December 1989.

In view of the foregoing, Turkey requests that she be further exempted from its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement until 31 December 1990.