GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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BANGLADESH - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE LXX

Decision of 5 December 1989

Considering that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 18 July 1988, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Bangladesh to implement the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System) On 1 July 1988 and carry out negotiations subsequently;

Considering that, by Decision of 24 July 1989², the CONTRACTING PARTIES extended the time-limit of the waiver granted to Bangladesh until 31 December 1989;

Noting that the relevant authorities in Bangladesh are in the final stage of preparing the Harmonized System documentation necessary for the renegotiations under Article XXVIII, but that, due to technical difficulties, it has not yet been possible to submit it as foreseen and carry out the necessary consultations and negotiations under Article XXVIII before 31 December 1989:

Considering that the Government of Bangladesh has requested a further extension of the waiver until 30 June 1990;

The CONTRACTING PARTIES, acting pursuant to the provisions of Article XXV:5 of the General Agreement,

<u>Decide</u>, in view of the exceptional circumstances, to extend the time-limit, provided for in the Decision of 18 July 1988, until 30 June 1990.

¹BISD 35S/348.

²L/6544.