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Communication from Indonesia

The following communication dated 28 May 1990 has been received from the Permanent Mission of Indonesia with the request that it be circulated to the contracting parties and considered by the Council at its next session.

I have the pleasure to refer to the Decision taken by the CONTRACTING PARTIES on 13 November 1989 as contained in document L/6597 concerning the extension until 30 June 1990 of the time-limit of the waiver granted to the Government of Indonesia under Article II of the General Agreement in regard to the establishment of a new HS Schedule XXI - Indonesia.

In conjunction with the Decision, the new version of the improved HS documentation as contained in document SECRET/HS/18/Rev.1 had been submitted for circulation to interested contracting parties. Although the improved documentation covered the concerns expressed by several contracting parties during the bilateral consultations in October 1989, some more outstanding items needed further clarification.

Following the distribution of the said documentation, bilateral consultations were carried out in Geneva during the third week of May 1990 between Indonesia and three contracting parties in order to find solutions on the matter. To date all sides have been satisfied with the outcome of the consultations. Indonesia is now about to complete the process of finalizing the documentation.

In the meantime, the authorities concerned consider that the time-limit provided for completing the final documentation may not be sufficient to deal with the technical matters. The Government of Indonesia, therefore, wishes to request a further extension of the time-limit of the waiver until 31 December 1990.