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Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication, dated 31 May 1990, has been received from the Permanent Delegation of Uruguay.

The Permanent Delegation of Uruguay to the United Nations Office and other international organizations at Geneva presents its compliments to the GATT secretariat and requests it to bring the attached communication to the attention of the CONTRACTING PARTIES so that the request therein may be considered at the next meeting of the Council.

As the CONTRACTING PARTIES know, Uruguay is engaged in a process of simplifying, reducing and harmonizing its import tariff and of adjusting Uruguay's original Schedule of Concessions in the light of the modifications made in the tariff nomenclature and duties.

The work of adjusting the original schedule of tariff concessions has been completed and is submitted for consideration by the CONTRACTING PARTIES in an Addendum to this communication.

Uruguay intends to modify or withdraw a number of the concessions included in Schedule XXXI, in conformity with the relevant provisions of the General Agreement. The CONTRACTING PARTIES will shortly be informed of the specific concessions which Uruguay will modify or withdraw.

In light of the foregoing, and in order to allow the consultation process accompanying the submission and modification of Schedule XXXI to be carried out properly, Uruguay requests an extension of the authorization granted by the CONTRACTING PARTIES (document L/6543 of July 1989) until 31 December 1990.