## **GENERAL AGREEMENT ON**

# TARIFFS AND TRADE

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### THAILAND - RATES OF CERTAIN BUSINESS AND EXCISE TAXES

#### Communication by Thailand

The following communication, dated 1 June 1990, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Thailand.

I refer to the decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES as contained in document L/6190 extending until 30 June 1990 the time-limit established in paragraph 3 of the Protocol of Accession of Thailand to enable the Government of Thailand to take steps to bring into line with Article III of the General Agreement the business and excise taxes with respect to the remaining items on which the incidence of these taxes varies according to whether the items are locally produced or imported. If by the above mentioned date, these taxes are still in effect with differential rates for imported items, the matter shall be reviewed by the CONTRACTING PARTIES.

I have the honour to inform you that the Thai authorities concerned have requested that the above-mentioned matter be considered as an item on the agenda of the GATT Council meeting, scheduled for 14 June 1990.

This matter will be considered by the Council at its next meeting.