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Request for Waiver

The following communication, dated 22 October 1990, has been received from the Permanent Delegation of Uruguay.

The Permanent Delegation of Uruguay to the United Nations Office and the 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 mentioned in document L/6689, the Uruguayan Government 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 submitted for consideration by the CONTRACTING PARTIES.

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 concessions which Uruguay will modify or withdraw have been specified and communicated to the CONTRACTING PARTIES (document L/6689/Add.3).

In consequence of the foregoing, and in order to allow the process of consultation and renegotiation of Schedule XXXI - Uruguay to be carried out properly in accordance with the procedures established in Article XXVIII, Uruguay requests the CONTRACTING PARTIES to authorize a temporary waiver of its obligations under Article II until 31 March 1991, by which date it is confident that it will have completed the renegotiation of the schedule of tariff concessions of Uruguay.