## GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

## TARIFFS AND TRADE

L/<sub>6789</sub> 14 December 1990 Limited Distribution

## MALAYSIA - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE XXXIX

## Decision of 13 December 1990

Considering that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 3 December 1987, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Malaysia to implement the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System) on 1 January 1988 and carry out negotiations subsequently;

Considering that, by subsequent decisions, the CONTRACTING PARTIES extended the time-limit for the completion of the negotiations or consultations to 2 be conducted by the Government of Malaysia until 31 December 1990;

Considering that the required Harmonized System documentation has been circulated with documents SECRET/HS/23 and Corr.1 and that, as a consequence, a number of requests for consultations and negotiations have been made to the Government of Malaysia;

Noting that the Government of Malaysia is preparing a revision of the HS documentation:

Recognizing that, in view of the time constraint, it will not be possible for the Government of Malaysia to conclude the necessary consultations and negotiations under Article XXVIII before 31 December 1990;

Considering that the Government of Malaysia has requested an extension of the waiver until 30 June 1991;

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 3 December 1987, until 30 June 1991.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>BISD 34S/3O.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>L/6706.