GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

L/6790 14 December 1990 Limited Distribution

TARIFFS AND TRADE

BANGLADESH - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE LXX

Decision of 13 December 1990

<u>Considering</u> that the CONTRACTING PARTIES, by Decision of 18 July 1988¹, suspended the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to the extent necessary to enable the Government of Bangladesh to implement the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System) on 1 July 1988 and carry out negotiations subsequently;

<u>Considering</u> that, by successive Decisions, the CONTRACTING PARTIES extended the time-limit of the waiver granted to Bangladesh until 31 December 1990²;

<u>Considering</u> that the required HS documentation for renegotiations under Article XXVIII has now been submitted to the secretariat for circulation to the contracting parties in the very near future;

<u>Noting</u> that Bangladesh will be ready to carry out the necessary Article XXVIII renegotiations and consultations with the interested contracting parties;

<u>Considering</u> that, however, it will not be possible to carry out these negotiations and consultations before the end of the year;

Noting that the Government of Bangladesh has, therefore, requested a further extension of the exemption from its obligations under Article II of the General Agreement 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 18 July 1988, until 30 June 1991.

¹BISD 35S/348. ²L/6702.

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