GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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PROTOCOL MAINTAINING IN FORCE THE ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

On 31 July 1991 the Textiles Committee adopted a Decision (COM.TEX/69) to maintain in force to 31 December 1992 the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles. The text of the Protocol is annexed hereto.

The Protocol is open for acceptance in the Office of the Special Adviser to the Director-General (telephone 739 52 52).

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THE PARTIES to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as "the Arrangement" or "MFA"),

ACTING pursuant to paragraph 5 of Article 10 of the Arrangement,

REAFFIRMING that the terms of the Arrangement regarding the competence of the Textiles Committee and the Textiles Surveillance Body are maintained, and

FOLLOWING the Decision of the Textiles Committee adopted on 31 July 1991;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

1. The Arrangement, including the Conclusions of the Textiles Committee, adopted on 31 July 1986, as amended by the 1989 Protocol Amending the 1986 Protocol Extending the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, shall be maintained in force for a further period of 17 months until 31 December 1992.

2. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. It shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Parties to the Arrangement, by other governments accepting or acceding to the Arrangement pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 thereof and by the European Economic Community.

3. This Protocol shall enter into force with effect from 1 August 1991 for the parties which have accepted it by that date and it shall enter into force for a party which accepts it on a later date as of the date of such acceptance. It shall be applied provisionally, taking into account their constitutional and/or legislative procedures for ratification, as from 1 August 1991, by parties which have signed it subject to completion of constitutional procedures, or notified the depositary of their intention to apply it provisionally, by that date, and by other parties from the date of their signature or notification of provisional application.

DONE at Geneva this thirty-first day of July one thousand nine hundred and ninety-one, in a single copy, in the English, French and Spanish languages, each text being authentic.