

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## ARTICLE XXVIII

### Amendments proposed by the United Kingdom Delegation

Paragraph 1 to commence:

"On or after 1 January 1958, or such subsequent dates as the contracting parties may from time to time agree upon, any contracting party may ..."

Regulation 1. Present text to be deleted and the following substituted:

"1. Extensions of the date under paragraph 1 shall require the agreement of two-thirds of the contracting parties and will be binding only upon contracting parties which accept them. It is therefore open to any contracting party, in respect of periods after 31 December 1957, to reserve its right to modify or withdraw any of the concessions in its Schedule in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 1-3 of the Article: if it does so other contracting parties will have the right, during the same period, to modify or withdraw concessions initially negotiated with that contracting party in accordance with the procedures of paragraphs 1-3."

Regulations 2-5 and 7-11 to be retained.

Regulation 6. Present text to be deleted and the following substituted:

"6. It is the intention that the contracting parties would initiate discussions with regard to an extension of the date under paragraph 1 not earlier than six months nor later than four months before 1 January 1958, (or the later date already agreed upon by the contracting parties). When the extension of the date is thus under consideration but not later than four months before the date referred to above, contracting parties shall continue to be able to stipulate the renegotiation of some individual concessions with a view to the inclusion in the Schedules for the extended period of the concessions as modified after the renegotiations. In that event the Organization shall make arrangements for the holding of these renegotiations and for the determination of the contracting party or contracting parties with which the negotiations and consultations referred to in paragraph 1 of the Article shall take place. The contracting party or contracting parties so determined shall participate in such negotiations or consultations with the aim of reaching agreement before 1 January 1958, (or the later date already agreed upon by the contracting parties)."