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NICARAGUA – ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE XXIX

Request for Extension of Waiver

The following communication, dated 28 February 2001, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Nicaragua.

I refer to your communication of 19 February 2001 requesting factual information on the extension of the waiver concerning new Schedule XXIX.

- The original waiver was granted on 26 January 1994.
- The relevant documentation was submitted on 28 June 1995. On the expiry of the time-limit of three months, two countries had reserved their right to conduct negotiations.
- The original waiver was extended in December 1994, December 1995, July 1996, April 1997, October 1997, April 1998, October 1998, June 1999, November 1999, April 2000 and December 2000.
- The number of countries with which Article XXVIII negotiations have been undertaken is two.
- The number of countries with which Article XXVIII negotiations have been completed is one.
- Nicaragua is keen to complete these negotiations as rapidly as possible and requests a further extension of the original waiver from the Council for Trade in Goods.