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BANGLADESH - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE LXX

Request for Extension of Time-Limit

The following communication, dated 23 September 1997, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh.

This is in reference to WTO telefax dated 17 September 1997 on the above subject.

Further to our communication No. BMG/WTO-20 dated 2 April 1997, we are pleased to inform you that negotiations under Article XXVIII remain outstanding with only one country, Australia. We received Australian response on the pending negotiation (vide its letter dated 28 July 1997), which was transmitted to our capital for examination and necessary instruction. The matter is still under process and will require some more time before we are finally able to close this issue.

In the circumstances, we request that our waiver be continued until 30 April 1998 to enable us to complete negotiations with Australia.