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PAKISTAN - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW SCHEDULE XV

Extension of Time-Limit

The following communication, dated 31 May 1995, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Pakistan.

This is with reference to your fax of 22 May 1995 concerning the extension of waivers. The information requested in the above fax is as follows:

- (1) Date of original waiver: 30 November 1977.
- (2) Date of submission of documents relevant to the HS implementation: the relevant documents were circulated through GATT documents L/4567 and L/4609 + Add.1 and 2.
- (3) Number of extensions and dates when granted: the waiver has been successively extended.
- (4) Number of countries with which Article XXVIII negotiations have been initiated: negotiations have been conducted with nine contracting parties who expressed their interest.
- (5) Number of countries with which Article XXVIII negotiations have been concluded: negotiations have been completed with seven contracting parties.
- (6) Status of outstanding Article XXVIII negotiations, as well as a general outline of relevant problems: we are vigorously pursuing negotiations with the remaining two contracting parties/members.
- (7) Outlook for concluding the process: we sincerely hope to conclude these negotiations by reaching a mutually satisfactory solution of the issue at the earliest.

The present waiver for Pakistan expires on 30 June 1995, and in view of the position explained above, we would request you kindly to allow us a further extension of the waiver up to 31 December 1995.