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## INTRODUCTION OF HARMONIZED SYSTEM 1996 CHANGES INTO WTO SCHEDULES OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS

### Argentina – Schedule LXIV

#### *Request for a Waiver*

The following communication, dated 23 March 2006, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Argentina.

With regard to the transposition of Argentina's Schedule LXIV into the Harmonized System 1996, I have the honour to inform you that Argentina wishes to request an extension of the waiver in order to suspend application of the provisions of Article II of the GATT 1994.

To that end it submits the following information:

- Date of original waiver: 13 December
- Date of submission of documents relevant to the HS implementation: 30 May 1995
- Number of extensions and dates granted: 15
  - 18 July 1996; 24 April 1997; 22 October 1997; 24 April 1998; 14 October 1998; 15 June 1999; 4 November 1999; 3 May 2000; 8 December 2000; 8 May 2001; 13 May 2002; 15 October 2002; 24 July 2003; 20 October 2004, and 27 July 2005.
- Number of countries with which Article XXVIII negotiations have been initiated: Three
- Number of countries with which Article XXVIII negotiations have been concluded: Four
- Description of relevant problems:
  - Current situation: Information is still being exchanged with the European Union with regard to a series of tariff headings.
  - An extension until 30 April 2007 is requested in order to complete the ongoing process with the European Union.