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**PROTOCOL FOR THE ACCESSION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA TO THE
MARRAKESH AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING
THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION
DONE AT GENEVA ON 2 OCTOBER 1996**

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE

ENTRY INTO FORCE

I have the honour to inform you that on 7 August 1997¹ the Government of Panama deposited with me an instrument of ratification of the above-mentioned Protocol, thereby recognizing as fully binding the signature affixed by its plenipotentiary on 2 October 1996.

In terms of paragraph 8 of the Protocol, it shall enter into force on 6 September 1997.

Pursuant to paragraph 1 of the Protocol, Panama shall become a Member of the World Trade Organization on 6 September 1997.

This notification is furnished in accordance with paragraph 9 of the Protocol.

R. Ruggiero
Director-General

¹By Decision of the General Council of 30 June 1997 (document WT/ACC/PAN/23) the time-limit for acceptance of the Protocol by Panama was extended to 31 October 1997.