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COMMUNICATION FROM GABON

Addendum

The following communication, dated 20 March 2014, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Gabon.

At the meeting of the Council for Trade in Goods of 18 October 2013, WTO Members agreed that Gabon should begin negotiating its schedule of tariff concessions over a period of 180 days (from 18 October 2013 to 16 April 2014).

Gabon has already initiated negotiations with several Members which have expressed interest in renegotiating. As a result of these negotiations, Gabon has concluded and secured a number of agreements.

In the interests of completing all the negotiations, and given the time remaining, Gabon requests an extension for a maximum period of sixty (60) days, from 17 April to 17 June 2014.

I thank you in anticipation for placing this question on the agenda of the meeting of the Council for Trade in Goods on 9 April 2014, so that the Council may take the appropriate decision.
