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Addendum

The following communication, dated 14 October 1997, has been received from the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission.

The European Communities submitted under cover of G/L/65/Rev.1 of 19 March 1996, Schedule CXL which consolidated into one document the tariff and other commitments the European Communities of 15 were prepared to bind in the WTO following Article XXIV:6 enlargement negotiations. This comprised the extension to the Communities of 15, the tariff and other commitments in the previous schedule LXXX of the European Communities of 12 as modified to reflect the outcome of Article XXIV:6 negotiations.

This document will have to be amended to take account of:

I. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

- Annex A (6 pages): amendments to take account of the concessions following the results of negotiations with Argentina under GATT Article XXIV:6;
- Annex B1 (5 pages): rectifications of a neutral nature in Section I-A to bring the schedule in conformity with the HS96, together with some printing omissions;
- Annex B2 (1 page): rectifications in Section II in order to respect the UR definition of agricultural products adjusted according to the HS 96.

II. OTHER PRODUCTS

- Annex C (2 pages): Comments which have been received which entail the rectifications set out in this annex
- Annex D (2 pages): The consequential modifications and rectifications necessary to take account of paragraph 3 of the Communication on Trade in Pharmaceutical Products (G/MA/W/10 of 11 October 1996) which provided for an extra 465 products to receive duty free treatment from April 1997 as well as the withdrawal of such treatment from 25 products (inadvertently included) whose use is predominately non-pharmaceutical. (The list of the products concerned is contained in Annex E 1 page).

If no objection is notified to the Secretariat within 90 days from the date of this document the rectifications and modifications to Schedule CXL - European Communities set out in the Annexes mentioned above will be deemed to be approved and will be formally certified.

Note:

The following rectifications and modifications to Schedule CXL have been subject to separate notifications:

- G/MA/TAR/RS/16 of 2 April 1997 which contains the modifications necessary to incorporate the commitments made under the ITA. (certified)
- G/MA/TAR/RS/30 of 13 May 1997 which contains new commitments with regard to spirituous beverages. (certified)

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