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### **HARMONIZED SYSTEM - ARTICLE XXVIII NEGOTIATIONS**

#### Submission of Documentation

### Schedule LXXXV - Costa Rica

The following communication, dated 25 May 1994, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica.

The Government of Costa Rica submits herewith the following documents<sup>1</sup> related to the introduction of the Nomenclature of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System), in accordance with the procedures for negotiations under Article XXVIII (BISD 27S/27) and the Decision of the Council of 12 July 1983 (BISD 30S/17) setting out the procedures for the transposition of concessions granted within the GATT framework into the Harmonized System.

In accordance with the Decision of the CONTRACTING PARTIES of 26 January 1994 (L/7403) to suspend the application of the provisions of Article II of the General Agreement to enable the Government of Costa Rica to implement the Harmonized System, the Government of Costa Rica submits herewith the required documentation for circulation to contracting parties.

#### Annex 1: Existing Schedule

Schedule LXXXV - Costa Rica, submitted in the NAUCA Nomenclature (Central American Uniform Tariff Nomenclature), is contained in the Protocol for the Accession of Costa Rica of 20 November 1989.

### Annex II: Proposed Schedule LXXXV

The proposed Schedule reflects all the existing bindings expressed in the Harmonized System Nomenclature and no bound tariff has been changed. Only the Spanish version of this Schedule is authentic.

### Annex III: Concordance table from the existing Schedule to the proposed Schedule

The concordance table provides a cross-reference between the NAUCA and Harmonized System Nomenclatures.

<sup>1</sup>Spanish only.

## Annex IV: Concordance table from the proposed Schedule to the existing Schedule

The concordance table provides a cross-reference between the Harmonized System and the NAUCA nomenclatures.

Trade statistics are not provided since all initial negotiating rights are maintained and no bound duties have been modified.

Contracting parties wishing to hold consultations concerning the concessions included in Schedule LXXXV of Costa Rica should transmit a written communication to that effect within a period of 90 days to the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica. Where possible, the communication should mention the products and tariff heading numbers concerned.