The following communication, dated 12 March 2009, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Panama. In accordance with the procedures for the introduction of the Harmonized System 1996 (HS96) in the schedules of commitments, the Permanent Mission of Panama to the World Trade Organization hereby submits a revision of the transposition of Schedule CXLI - Panama.

The technical work for this new version was conducted with the help of the WTO Secretariat, and it supersedes the previous versions circulated as documents G/SECRET/HS96/48, G/SECRET/HS96/48/Add.1, and G/SECRET/HS96/48/Rev.1+Corr.1 and Corr.2. The new documentation provides an exhaustive list of the tariff lines that have undergone changes with the introduction of HS96\(^1\), so that a number of tariff lines that did not change from one nomenclature to the other and which had been included by mistake in the previous documentation have been deleted.

The annex to this communication consists of the following four tables:\(^2\)

1. HS96 version of the tariff concessions contained in Part I, Section I-A, of the Schedule (bound tariffs for agricultural products).
2. HS96 version of the tariff concessions contained in Part I, Section I-B, of the Schedule (tariff rate quotas).
3. HS96 version of the tariff concessions contained in Part I, Section II, of the Schedule (bound tariffs for non-agricultural products).
4. Correlation between the tariff lines in HS92 and HS96.

We take this opportunity to renew the assurances of our highest consideration.

If no objection is notified to the Secretariat within 90 days of the date of this document, the modifications to Schedule CXLI - Panama will be deemed to be approved and will be formally certified.

\(^1\) GATT documents TAR/W/89 and TAR/W/91.
\(^2\) In Spanish only.
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