

APPROVAL BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF SCHEDULES ON GOODS
AND SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE MARRAKESH DECISION
IN FAVOUR OF LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

At its meeting on 31 May 1995, the General Council approved the schedules on goods and services submitted by the least-developed countries listed in the annex which had been duly finalized pursuant to the terms of the Marrakesh Decision in Favour of Least-Developed Countries.

Upon approval of the schedules, the Chairman of the General Council stated that "the approval of schedules on goods and services in respect to the twenty countries listed in the annex completes the process envisioned by Ministers in paragraph 1 of the Marrakesh Decision on Measures in favour of Least-Developed Countries. Accordingly, these least-developed countries have fulfilled the requirements of membership pursuant to Article XI of the WTO Agreement. In respect of ten of these countries, namely Botswana, Central African Republic, Djibouti, Guinea Bissau, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Maldives, Mauritania and Togo, which have already accepted the WTO Agreement, membership takes effect immediately. In respect of the other least-developed countries for which schedules have been approved today, membership shall take effect on the 30th day following the date of acceptance, in accordance with Article XIV:1 of the WTO Agreement, assuming that these countries accept the WTO Agreement within the two-year period provided for in Article XIV:1."

ANNEX

LIST OF SCHEDULES OF LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES APPROVED BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL ON 31 MAY 1995

<i>Country</i>	<i>Goods</i>	<i>Services</i>
Angola	Schedule CXXIX (129) - dated May 1995	S/P/24
Botswana	Schedule CI (101)- dated April 1995	S/P/18
Burundi	Schedule LV (55)- dated December 1994	PC/W/21
Central African Rep.	Schedule CIV(104) - dated March 1995	S/P/2
Chad	¹	S/P/17
Djibouti	Schedule CXXXVII (137) - dated March 1995	S/P/9
The Gambia	²	S/P/21
Guinea	Schedule CXXXVI (136) - dated March 1995	S/P/5
Guinea Bissau	Schedule CXXX (130) - dated April 1995	S/P/19
Haiti	Schedule XXVI (26) - dated May 1995	S/P/20
Lesotho	Schedule CXV (115) - dated April 1995	S/P/23
Malawi	Schedule LVIII (58) - dated April 1995	S/P/1
Mali	³	S/P/14
Maldives	Schedule CXVI (116)- dated March 1995	S/P/4
Mauritania	⁴	S/P/22
Mozambique	Schedule CXIX (119) - dated November 1994	⁵
Rwanda	Schedule LVI (56) - dated April 1995	S/P/16
Sierra Leone	Schedule CXX (120) - dated April 1995	S/P/13
Togo	Schedule CXXV (125) - dated March 1995	S/P/15
Zaire	Schedule LXVIII (68) - dated March 1995 and corrigendum dated April 1995	S/P/7

¹Schedule on Goods - CV (105) dated March 1995 - approved by the General Council at its meeting on 3 April 1995.

²Schedule on Goods - CX (110) dated February 1995 - approved by the General Council at its meeting on 3 April 1995.

³Schedule on Goods - XCIV (94) dated July 1994 - verified and approved in 1994 under a process agreed by the Preparatory Committee for the WTO in pursuance to its mandate in paragraph 8(b)(i) of the Marrakesh Decision establishing the Preparatory Committee.

⁴Schedule on Goods - L (50) dated April 1994 - verified and approved under a process agreed by the Preparatory Committee for the WTO in pursuance to its mandate in paragraph 8(b)(i) of the Marrakesh Decision establishing the Preparatory Committee.

⁵Schedule on Services - GATS/SC/58 dated April 1994 - submitted prior to the Marrakesh Ministerial meeting and already annexed to the General Agreement on Trade in Services.