## PROTOCOL EXTENDING THE ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

THE PARTIES to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as "the Arrangement" or "MFA")

ACTING pursuant to paragraph 5 of Article 10 of the Arrangement, and

REAFFIRMING that the terms of the Arrangement regarding the competence of the Textiles Committee and the Textiles Surveillance Body are maintained, and

CONFIRMING the understandings set forth in the Conclusions of the Textiles Committee adopted on 22 December 1981, a copy of which is attached herewith,

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

- 1. The period of validity of the Arrangement set out in Article 16, shall be extended for a period of four years and seven months until 31 July 1986.
- 2. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the GATT. It shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Parties to the Arrangement, by other governments accepting or acceding to the Arrangement pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 thereof and by the European Economic Community.
- 3. This Protocol shall enter into force on 1 January 1982 for the countries which have accepted it by that date. It shall enter into force for a country which accepts it on a later date of such acceptance.

Done at Geneva this twenty-second day of December, one thousand nine hundred and eighty-one, in a single copy in the English, French and Spanish languages, each text being authentic.