

DRAFT CHARTER

UNITED KINGDOM: PROPOSED AMENDMENT

The delegation of the United Kingdom wish to suggest the following amendments to Chapter III of the Draft Charter:

Article 13

Delete comma in line 10 of paragraph 1 and insert "and".

In paragraph 4 (c), lines 13 and 14, for "the industry or industries concerned, or branches of agriculture concerned" substitute "the industry or industries or branches of agriculture concerned",

Article 14

Paragraph 1. In line 2 after the word "protective measure" insert the words "in force on the 1st September, 1947".

The delegation of the United Kingdom wish to suggest the following amendments to Chapter IV of the Draft Charter:

Article 17, paragraph 1 (d), last two lines

For "General Agreement on Tariff Trade" substitute "General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade".

Article 18, paragraph 1, line 5

The first sentence of the paragraph should be amended to read "The products of any Member country imported into any other Member country shall not be subjected, directly or indirectly, to any internal taxes or other internal charges of any kind in excess of those applied to like products of national origin".

Article 19

Sub-paragraph (b): "No" should be deleted from line 3, and the last two-and-a-half lines should be altered to "shall not be allocated formally or in effect among sources of supply",

Sub-paragraph (c): for "Members" in line 2, substitute "any Member"; for "conditions" in line 4, substitute "requirements"; and for "national" in line 6, substitute "specified".

Note: The United Kingdom reservation on this Article mentioned in the footnotes was withdrawn before the end of the Geneva meeting.

Article 20

In paragraph 2 (c) (1), the words "of the like domestic product" in lines 2 and 3 should be deleted, and the same words inserted after "quantities" in line 1.

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For "the gold or convertible currencies.....appreciably reduced" substitute "by which the Member's receipts from exports to other Members not party to the arrangement whose currencies are convertible are appreciably reduced".

Article 30

Paragraph 1 (a), lines 8 and 9: for "applied in this Charter to governmental measures" substitute "prescribed in this Charter for governmental measures".

Paragraph 1 (b), line 7: for "prices" substitute "price".

Article 37

Delete the words "and those of sub-paragraph (b)" from the end of paragraph 3 (c).

Article 42

Paragraph 2 (b): for the first proviso substitute the following:

"Provided that the duties and other regulations of commerce imposed at the institution of, or any margins of preference maintained by, any such union or agreement in respect of trade with Members of the Organization, shall not....."

The delegation of the United Kingdom wish to suggest the following amendment to Chapter VIII of the Draft Charter:

In Article 90 (2), after the words "Board and such Members" (line 4) add the words "provided that (a) the Members concerned are not more than three in number, and (b) the matter is not one which must under the provisions of the Charter be referred to the Organization for decision".

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