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Page 3, last paragraph

Delete the last three sentences and substitute:

"He recalled that when the use of Article XXXV as a safeguard had been mentioned during the discussion by the Contracting Parties of the Report of the Working Party on Accession, there had been no opposition to it. In fact, some delegations even expressed the view that the mere recourse to Article XXV or to Paragraph 5(b) of Article XXV was not enough. It appeared that the use of Article XXXV for such a purpose had not been contested. He therefore wished to support the recommendation submitted by the Committee."

Pages 7 and 8

Delete the remarks of Mr. JOHNSON (New Zealand) and substitute the following:

Mr. JOHNSON (New Zealand) said that his delegation hoped to conclude negotiations with all those acceding governments where there was a real basis for negotiations. He was not particularly concerned therefore with the application of Article XXXV. Exploratory talks had been necessary in certain cases, especially where there had been a lack of information with regard to the necessary statistics. He considered the exchange of offers as the criterion for "entering into negotiations". He wished to draw attention to the distinction that existed between cases where a

basis for negotiations was lacking and where there was no scope. In the latter case the provisions of Article XXXV could not reasonably be invoked. He instanced the case of exploratory discussions last week with an acceding government when it had been found that in view of the limited trade involved there was no scope for negotiations but, nevertheless, the grant of m-f-n treatment had been mutually agreed. He thought that the position with regard to the application of Article XXXV could be clarified if it were decided that in similar cases the Secretariat should be notified that there was no scope for negotiations but that m-f-n treatment had been mutually agreed upon. He suggested that there might be a similar general understanding in those cases where the parties had not met but had each advised the Tariff Negotiations Working Party when they had appeared before it that there was no scope for negotiations.