

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## Working Party 2 on Schedules

### CONSOLIDATED GATT SCHEDULES

#### Correction and Revision

At the Ninth Session the CONTRACTING PARTIES decided (BISD, 3rd S., p.221) that the Consolidated Schedules should be kept up to date by corrigenda prepared by the secretariat and should be republished at appropriate intervals. In accordance with this instruction the secretariat considered the practicability of issuing a corrigendum before the Tenth Session to supplement that issued on 22 September 1954 (MGT/21/54). A corrigendum prepared this year would have included only the changes provided for in the Fourth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications and in the Protocol of Japanese Accession. It seemed that such a corrigendum would be of little utility.

On the other hand, a large number of changes will be made to the Schedules by the Fifth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications, as a result of renegotiations under Article XXVIII, and in the course of the tariff negotiations in 1956. The CONTRACTING PARTIES may, therefore, wish to consider the desirability of making arrangements for the compilation of a new edition of the Consolidated Schedules after the 1956 tariff conference. Should that course commend itself to the Working Party the following time-schedule might be recommended:

- (i) By 1 July 1956 each contracting party would transmit to the secretariat fifty copies of a revised consolidated schedule for distribution to other contracting parties for examination;
- (ii) contracting parties would be asked to submit comments not later than 1 October 1956 and any controversial points could be discussed and settled by delegations attending the Eleventh Session;
- (iii) At the Eleventh Session the CONTRACTING PARTIES could decide whether corrected and reneued copies of the revised consolidated schedules would serve their needs or whether a photo-offset edition should be made and offered for sale to governments and the public.