



# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Working Party on Commodity Problems

Special Distribution

## RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GATT AND SACA

### Amendments proposed by the Special Sub-Group

The following amendments to certain Articles containing references to the CONTRACTING PARTIES have been agreed by the Sub-Group. Amendments to one or two other Articles are still under consideration and will be circulated as soon as possible.

#### Article VI, paragraph 2

"Where circumstances ... (as in present text) ... this Agreement. Any such arrangement shall be submitted to the Assembly before it enters into operation, and it shall not enter into operation in respect of any Signatory unless it is approved by the Assembly. Furthermore, a Signatory or non-Signatory Government which is also a contracting party to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade shall participate in any such arrangement only if it has also been submitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES in accordance with the final phrase of paragraph I(h) of Article XX of that Agreement and has not been disapproved by them."

#### Article X, paragraphs 5 and 7

"5. The Assembly shall ... (as in present text) ... commodity field. The report shall be transmitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade for their consideration, in view of the effect of the operation of this Agreement on the obligations of contracting parties under the General Agreement."

"5.A. The Assembly's report shall also be transmitted to other intergovernmental bodies or agencies interested in commodity problems."

#### Article XII, paragraph 2

"Except where ... (as in present text) ... arrangements, except insofar as Signatories who are contracting parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade are subject to the provisions of Article VI and XIX relating to the special interests of the CONTRACTING PARTIES."

Article XIX

"This Agreement may ... (as in present text, but omitting words in square brackets) ... which it has not accepted, and no Signatory who is a contracting party to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade shall accept any amendment which has been disapproved by the CONTRACTING PARTIES to that Agreement. The Signatories may decide that an amendment ... (as in present text) ... come into force."