GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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COMMITTEE OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

Meeting to be Held on 11 December 1978

- 1. The Committee of Participating Countries provided for in the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries will hold its twenty-second meeting on Monday, 11 December 1978, at 10.30 a.m. in the Centre William Rappard, rue de Lausanne, Geneva. The meeting will also be open to delegations of countries having signed but not yet ratified the Protocol. Since the last regular meeting of the Committee in July:
 - (a) the Committee on Trade and Development and the CONTRACTING PARTIES have undertaken a five-year review of the Decision concerning the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries on the basis of a report by the Committee of Participating Countries (L/4710 and Add.).
 - The secretariat has since circulated in CPC/W/64 a tabulation showing trade in respect of scheduled items among thirteen participating reporting countries during the period 1972-77;
 - (b) the secretariat has circulated to countries participating in the technical work programme a progress report containing, <u>inter alia</u>, some preliminary observations in connexion with possibilities for enlargement of the Protocol (Spec (78)26 and Add.1).
- 2. Delegations may have some comments to make on the above matters.
- 3. In addition to any other points members may wish to raise, the Committee is also required to deal with the question of rotation of office bearers in accordance with its rules of procedure (CPC/47).