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Preferential Arrangements Among Developing Countries Negotiated in GATT

COMMITTEE OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

Meeting to be Held on Monday, 19 March 1979

1. The Committee of Participating Countries provided for in the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries will hold its twenty-third meeting on Monday, 19 March 1979, at 3 p.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.

2. In the light of the Committee's recent preoccupations with possibilities for the expansion of trade among developing countries, the Committee's agenda might comprise:

- (1) Enlargement of the Protocol.
- (2) Other business.

3. With regard to (1), some informal discussions have taken place on possibilities for the expansion of developing country trade at the inter-regional level since the matter was discussed at the last meeting of the Committee and a number of positive suggestions have been put forward regarding a future course of action. The Committee may wish to review the situation in this regard.

4. Under "Other business" members might raise for discussion any other matters they would wish relevant to the functioning of the Protocol.