GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

Preferential Arrangements
Among Developing Countries
Negotiated in GATT

COMMITTEE OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

Meeting to be Held on 20 October 1980

The Committee of Participating Countries provided for in the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries will hold its twenty-eighth meeting on 20 October 1980, 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.

The following items have been proposed for inclusion in the agenda for the meeting:

1.   Accession of Argentine (paragraphs 3-6 of the Summary of Discussions at the last meeting (CPC/57)). The Committee took note at its last meeting of developments in the light of the procedures that had been adopted to provide a basis for consultations and negotiations concerning the accession of Argentina to the Protocol and urged interested participating countries to intensify the process with a view to its early completion. Members of the Committee may wish to review developments and exchange views on matters of relevance to this agenda item.

2.   Expansion of trade among developing countries (paragraphs 7-9 of the Summary of Discussions at the last meeting (CPC/57)). The Committee took note at its last meeting of the information provided by the secretariat and agreed to maintain this item on its agenda for future meetings. Members of the Committee might wish to review recent developments in this regard.

3.   Annual report. A draft report for approval by the Committee and transmission to the Committee on Trade and Development will be circulated as CPC/W/81.

4.   Derestriction of documents. In accordance with the procedures adopted on 25 July 1978, a list of documents, which would appear to be presently eligible for derestriction, is being circulated.

5.   Rotation of Officers (CPC/47).

6.   Other business.