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COMMITTEE OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

Meeting to be held on 9 May 1983

The Committee of Participating Countries provided for in the Protocol Relating to Trade Negotiations Among Developing Countries will hold its thirty-fifth meeting on 9 May 1983, at 4:30 p.m. in the Centre William Rappard, rue de Lausanne 154, 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 Argentina (paragraph 4 of the Summary of Discussions at the last meeting (CPC/67)). The Committee took note, at its last meeting, of the current situation with respect to Argentina's application for accession to the Protocol and urged interested participating countries to make every effort to bring the negotiations to a mutually satisfactory conclusion at an early date. Members of the Committee may wish to review developments and exchange views on matters relevant to this agenda item.

2. Expansion of trade among developing countries (paragraphs 5-7 of the Summary of Discussions at the last meeting (CPC/67)). At the last meeting, in connexion with the review of the schedules of concessions of participating countries, the Committee agreed that there was sufficient interest and support among participating countries for the review exercise to begin immediately and decided that it would review progress made at its next meeting. As decided by the Committee, the secretariat has circulated a draft note on procedures for review of the schedules of concessions. Members of the Committee may wish to review developments and exchange views on matters relevant to this agenda item.

3. Other business

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