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GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

Committee on Trade and Development Fourteenth Session 3-6 June 1969

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Examination of the operation of Part IV

At the thirteenth session, the Committee continued discussion of the proposal for an examination of the implementation of Part IV of the General Agreement. The Committee decided that contracting parties should be invited to submit statements of difficulties that they considered had been encountered in the implementation of Part IV and suggestions on how to ensure more satisfactory and effective operation of its provisions. It was also agreed that the Committee should, on the basis of this documentation, review the problems involved and decide how the further examination of these problems and the formulation of recommendations might best be arranged (cf. COM.TD/65 page 2).

The statements received from eight contracting parties have been circulated in COM.TD/W/97 and addenda. A secretariat paper outlining the main points covered in these statements is being distributed as COM.TD/W/101.

2. Residual import restrictions

As requested by the Committee, the Group on Residual Restrictions held a meeting in April. The report of the Group on this meeting (COM.TD/66) is before the Committee for approval. It may be noted that the Group expects to resume examination of restrictions affecting a few selected products in the near future.

3. Adjustment assistance measures

A meeting of the Group of Experts on Adjustment Assistance Measures was held in May. The report of the Group will be circulated in COM.TD/68.

4. <u>Trade in tropical products</u>

The Special Group on Trade in Tropical Products will meet on 27 May and a note on the discussions in that meeting will be circulated in document SGTP/14. The Committee may wish to take note of any conclusions reached in the Special Group, and discuss the matter in the light of those conclusions in so far as it is relevant to the mandate of the Committee.