

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## DEVELOPMENTS RELEVANT TO THE OPERATION OF PART IV

### Note by the Secretariat

#### Addendum

The following notification has been received from the Government of the Netherlands in reply to GATT/AIR/750.

As a member country of an economic community the Netherlands has only a very limited autonomy in the conduct of its commercial and economic policy. Consequently its implementation of Part IV of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade has to take place within the framework of that community. The Netherlands Government can declare that it has in the past constantly been aware of the interests of the developing countries when discussing trade matters with its partners in the European Economic Community. It can safely be assumed that all measures the Community has taken benefitting developing countries has had the active support of the Netherlands and that in no case the scope of such measures has been lessened because of opposition by the Netherlands. Within the limited field still open to it for individual action, the Netherlands Government has taken the following decisions:

1. As from 1 January 1970 the imports of penicillin and medicaments containing penicillin (items 29-44 A and ex 30-03 A and B of the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature) will be liberalized;
2. \$29,000.- has been voluntarily contributed to the GATT-UNCTAD International Trade Centre for financing an export promotion course in Santiago de Chile for officials from member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin-America;
3. Free exposition space for products of developing countries is made available at the Utrecht Trade Fair of 1970. The costs involved amount to \$20,000.-.

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