

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Twenty-Sixth Session
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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The provisional agenda will be submitted for approval. The Council may recommend for inclusion in the agenda certain items, which have been examined by the Council but require further consideration.

2. REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

A report on the work of the Council since the twenty-fifth session will be distributed after the meeting of the Council on 12 February. In the light of the instruction from the CONTRACTING PARTIES at the twenty-fifth session that the Council should undertake a wider range of work, the report will record action taken in respect of several items which hitherto appeared on the agenda of the CONTRACTING PARTIES. A list of items on which the Council has taken or is likely to take final action or to make recommendations before the opening of the session is attached. When the CONTRACTING PARTIES examine the report they will have the opportunity to discuss or comment on any of these items which are not included in the agenda of the session.

3. EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

(a) Trade in industrial products

- Report of the Committee on Trade in Industrial Products

(b) Trade in agricultural products

- Report of the Agriculture Committee

(c) Trade of developing countries

- Report of the Committee on Trade and Development
- Report on trade negotiations among developing countries
- Report of the Chairman of the Special Group on Trade in Tropical Products

4. IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

The Council has considered a proposal by the Director-General as to how to deal with the problem of import restrictions (L/3260 and Corr.1), and may make recommendations as to procedures to be established.

5. PREFERENCES FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

- Generalized preferences by developed for developing countries
- Preferences between developing countries

The CONTRACTING PARTIES may wish to consider whether action would be appropriate in the light of progress made in the establishment of the two types of preferential systems.

6. TRADE POLICIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ADJUSTMENT PROCESS

At the twenty-fifth session attention was drawn to the fact that there was a growing tendency toward the use of certain types of trade measures to remedy temporary balance-of-payments difficulties.

7. TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES

The Cotton Textiles Committee has carried out the annual review of the operation of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles. The report on the Seventh Review (L/3288) has been distributed and will be submitted for adoption.

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, the Chairman of the Council, and the Chairman of the Committee on Trade and Development for the ensuing year will be considered in the first instance at a meeting of the heads of delegations.

ANNEX

Items to be Included in the
Report of Council

1. BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

Consultations under Articles XII and XVIII held in 1969

2. PERU - MODIFICATION OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

3. CONSULTATIONS ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN DAIRY PRODUCTS

4. FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY - CURRENCY MEASURES

5. ITALY - ADMINISTRATIVE AND STATISTICAL FEES

6. UNITED KINGDOM - IMPORT DEPOSITS

7. UNITED KINGDOM - STEEL ROYALTY REBATE

8. CUSTOMS UNIONS AND FREE-TRADE AREAS

Information on developments furnished by member States

9. CARIBBEAN FREE TRADE ASSOCIATION

10. EEC/ASSOCIATION AGREEMENTS

11. TRADE ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN INDIA, UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC AND YUGOSLAVIA

Review of the Decision of 14 November 1968

12. WAIVERS - Brazilian Schedule - Extension

Chilean Schedule - Extension

Italy-Somalia - Extension

Turkish Stamp Duty - Extension

Malawi Schedule - Report of Working Party

EEC-citrus fruit - Request for waiver

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13. REPORTS UNDER WAIVERS

- (a) Australia/Papua-New Guinea.
- (b) Australia/Preferences for Less-Developed Countries
- (c) Ceylon/Import Duty Increases
- (d) France and Germany/Saar
- (e) United Kingdom/Article I
- (f) United Kingdom/Dependent Overseas Territories
- (g) United States/Agricultural Import Restrictions
- (h) United States/Automotive Products
- (i) Uruguay/Import Surcharges

14. ARTICLE XXVIII:1 - RENEGOTIATIONS 1969

15. ARTICLE XXVIII:4 - REQUESTS FOR RENEGOTIATIONS

16. KENNEDY ROUND TARIFF REDUCTIONS - IMPLEMENTATION BY SWITZERLAND

17. APPLICATIONS FOR ACCESSION

Colombia
Romania
Hungary

18. PROVISIONAL ACCESSION

Tunisia
United Arab Republic

19. SWISS ACCESSION PROTOCOL

Review under paragraph 4 of the Protocol

20. POLISH ACCESSION PROTOCOL

Consultation under paragraph 5 of the Protocol

21. APPLICATION OF ARTICLE XXXV TO JAPAN

22. ANTI-DUMPING PRACTICES

Report of the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices

23. BORDER TAX ADJUSTMENTS

Interim report of Working Party

24. DISPOSAL OF COMMODITY SURPLUSES

25. INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE UNCTAD/GATT

Programme of work

26. TRAINING ACTIVITIES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

27. CONSULAR FORMALITIES

28. ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE UNCTAD BOARD AND THE COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES

Nominee of the CONTRACTING PARTIES

29. STATUS OF PROTOCOLS

30. ARTICLE XX - SUB-PARAGRAPH (j)

31. ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS