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Corrigendum

The Australian Permanent Mission has requested that the following amendments be made to the Report of the Proceedings of the Fifty-Seventh Session of the Committee on Trade and Development.

Page 2, paragraph 7, ninth line, should read ... "of items by as much as 15 percentage points. These efforts at redirecting"...

Page 5, paragraph 16, fourth line from the end should read ... "concerned, it reflected the fact that Australia and indeed many developing countries had not been offered" ...

Page 5, paragraph 19: the following should be added after last sentence "It could also be noted that quite significant proportions of textiles, clothing and footwear imports entered Australia without tariff quotas applying. For example in 1984, 92 per cent, 23 per cent and 13 per cent of total import clearances of, respectively textiles, clothing and footwear were cleared without tariff quotas applying".

Page 6, paragraph 22, ninth to seventh lines from end should read ... "sources, caused or threatened injury to the Australian industry. In regard to the latter, no inquiry was in practice initiated without prima facie evidence of injury and once an inquiry was initated, developing countries along with other interested parties were entitled to" ...

Page 6, paragraph 23, third line: replace all wording to end of paragraph to read: "The representative of Australia explained that the Australian system provided for full global cumulation of developing country content. At least 50 per cent of the total factory or works cost of the goods must consist of the value of labour and/or materials of one or more developing countries. There were no regional restrictions. In addition, Australian content may be counted as if it were developing country content. However, the country claiming preference was that in which the final process of manufacture was carried out".

Page 7, paragraph 24: four new sentences should be inserted after the first sentence to read: "Concerning possible trade diversion effects two comments were relevant. First, the exports from small Pacific island states to Australia were not necessarily of the type produced in other, larger, GSP beneficiary countries with more advanced levels of economic development, so the question of trade diversion did not in such cases arise. Second, the value of trade under free trade agreements needed to be seen in perspective. For example the SPARTECA Agreement covered only 1.6 per cent of total imports from developing countries." COM.TD/122/Corr.1 Page 2

Page 8, paragraph 29: penultimate line should read ... "continue to provide general market advisory assistance to least developed" ...

Page 9, paragraph 40: new sentence to be added to beginning of paragraph 40. "The representative of Australia said he took note of the various requests for improved GSP treatment for certain products and said such requests would be examined in the context of the Ministerial Review of the Australian system of tariff preferences."