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CHECKING AND APPROVAL OF LISTS

Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications

The Working Party on Schedules held its first meeting on Friday, 12 October, and took note of the numerous and lengthy requests for rectification and modification of schedules which have been submitted for inclusion in the Sixth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications which is to be opened at the end of the present session. Annexed hereto is a full list of the requests submitted with a summary indication of the nature of the changes involved.

In order to ensure that there will be sufficient time for the preparation of the text which will be opened for signature on the last day of the session, the Working Party decided to ask all contracting parties to endeavour to check all lists submitted and to settle any differences by 27 October 1956. Accordingly, all delegations which have not been able by 27 October 1956 to settle differences arising out of proposed rectifications or modifications should on that date so inform the secretariat so that the secretariat may be able to start the preparation of those lists against which no objections are outstanding.

Draft consolidated schedules

The Working Party was informed that in so far as could be ascertained by the secretariat, the following governments had distributed draft consolidated schedules of concessions:

Australia	India
Canada	Indonesia
Ceylon	Japan
Czechoslovakia	New Zealand
Finland	Norway
	United Kingdom

On the proposal of the Chairman, it was agreed to recommend to all contracting parties that they take the fullest advantage of the presence in Geneva of delegations of the contracting parties¹ to complete the approval of the draft consolidated schedules which have been submitted. If any delegation felt that it might not be able to settle certain points before the end of the session, it should inform the Working Party by 5 November 1956 so that the latter might attempt to find a solution.

¹ The Canadian Government has informed the secretariat that it will send to Geneva on 29 October a customs expert who will remain for two weeks if necessary and will be prepared to answer any queries relating to the draft consolidated schedule of Canada.

ANNEX

The following is a list of the submissions of contracting parties for the Sixth Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications. Where the results of Article XXVIII negotiations are included this is indicated and the relative documents are cited.

<u>Country</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
I. Australia	MGT/114/56	Article XXVIII. SECRET/53 and Add.1-3 SECRET/38 and Add.1-5
II. Benelux		
Section A - Met. Terr.	MGT/151/56	Rectifications (in distribution)
Section B - Belg.Congo & Ruanda Urundi	MGT/127/56	Rectifications
V. Canada	Circulated by Canada	Two groups of rectifications (one group made before 1951 and incorporated in Canada's consolidated schedule but not in a protocol). French text (also authentic) not yet submitted.
IX. Cuba	MGT/142/56	Rectifications
XI. France	MGT/108/56 ¹	Article XXVIII. SECRET/44 and Add.1-5
XII. India	MGT/113/56	Rectifications
XVIII. South Africa	MGT/115/56	Rectifications
XX . United Kingdom	MGT/124/56	Article XXVIII. SECRET/36 and Add.1-4 (bananas and fruit stocks) SECRET/64 and Add.1) handbags, SECRET/67 and Add.1-6) etc.
XX. United States	MGT/111/56 ¹	Article XXVIII. I./377 (Item 713) SECRET/63 and addenda (hats, etc.) SECRET/66 and addenda (molasses, etc.)

¹ Addendum to follow.

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XXIV. Finland	MGT/131/56	Article XXVIII. SECRET/47 and Add.1-8 SECRET/52 and Add.1
XXVII. Italy	MGT/119/56	Article XXVIII. SECRET/40 and Add.1-6
XXIX. Nicaragua	L/487/Add.1	Article XXVIII. SECRET/32 and Add.1-9
XXX. Sweden	MGT/128/56	Rectifications
XXXIII. Germany	MGT/132/56 ¹	Rectifications
XXXVII. Turkey	MGT/150/56	Replacement of Torquay schedule (in distribution)
XXXVIII. Japan	MGT/118/56 and Corr.1	Rectifications

¹ Addendum to follow.