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## EEC NOTES FOR GROUPS ON NON-TARIFF BARRIERS

## Communication from the Commission of the European Economic Community

The following is the text of the communication under oover of which the Commission of the European Economic Community submitted the three notes on customs valuation, on government procurement policies and on the United States system of duty assessment on bottled spirits, which have been circulated as documents TN.64/NTB/26, TN.64/NTB/27 and TN.64/NTB/25 respectively:

"Following the decisions taken by the Sub-Committee on Non-Tariff Barriers, I have the honour to transmit to you three notes setting forth in more detail some requests of the European Economic Community in the field of para-tariff and non-tariff measures. These notes relate to:

- (a) customs valuation;
- (b) government procurement policies;
- (c) the United States system of duty and tax assessment on imported bottled spirits.

"For the moment, these notes relate only to a few important measures applied by the United States. The Community reserves the right to present further notes at a later date, either on other non-tariff obstacles applied by its partners, or also with respect to countries other than the United States, to add to the documentation on the measures referred to in the three notes annexed hereto."