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Addendum

Note by the Chairman of the Working Party

Subsequent to the submission of the Working Party's report L/2276, a further discussion took place between the Austrian and Polish representatives attending the Council meeting, concerning the points raised in paragraph 6 of the report. The essence of this discussion, for purposes of the Council's records, may be summarized as follows.

The Polish representative stated that the increased deficit in Austria's trade with Poland in 1963 was rather exceptional. In 1963 the prices of some Polish goods, imported by Austria in larger quantities than in the preceding years, had been rising. On the other hand, structural changes occurred in Polish import requirements, particularly in some types of steel and electrical equipment. In the first eight months of 1964 the Polish Government had given particular attention to raising the level of imports from Austria. Polish exports to Austria had dropped and Polish imports had increased, mainly due to the importation into Poland of certain new Austrian products.

The Austrian representative indicated that he was not in a position to comment in detail on these remarks, but expressed his willingness to convey them to the attention of his Government.