

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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SUBSIDIES AND STATE TRADING

Note by the Executive Secretary

At the twentieth session (BISD, Eleventh Supplement, page 59) it was agreed that contracting parties should be invited

- (a) to submit by the end of January 1963, and subsequently every third year, new and full responses to the questionnaire on subsidies and State trading (for the text of these, see BISD, Ninth Supplement, pages 184 and 193);
- (b) at the end of January 1964, and in each subsequent year until the next three-yearly review, to submit notifications of the changes which have occurred in their subsidy and State-trading measures since notifications in 1963.

Twenty-seven countries submitted notifications under (a) above (L/1948 and L/1949 and Addenda). These countries are reminded of the agreement referred to in (b) above under which supplementary notifications should be submitted this year.

A number of countries have not yet submitted new and full responses to the questionnaires, and they are reminded of the invitation referred to in (a) above. It may also be recalled in this connexion that the Council has agreed (C/M/16, page 12) that contracting parties not maintaining subsidies or State trading should so inform the secretariat so that a complete picture of the position in this field can be obtained.

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