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ADVANCE AGENDA

Circulated herewith is an advance agenda for the thirty-fourth session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES in which are listed the items proposed by the secretariat for inclusion in the provisional agenda. Contracting parties wishing to propose additional items are requested to submit their proposals and supporting documents by 13 October 1978 in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure. The provisional agenda will be distributed by 23 October 1978.

1. Report of the Council

A list of the items on which the Council has taken or is likely to take action or to make recommendations before the opening of the session is annexed. The minutes of Council meetings since the thirty-third session have been distributed in documents C/M/124 and following.

2. Activities of GATT

It would be the intention under this item of the agenda to provide the CONTRACTING PARTIES with an opportunity to review major developments since the thirty-third session, and to consider any reports, including that of the Committee on Trade and Development, submitted directly to the CONTRACTING PARTIES.

3. Election of officers

ANNEX

The following subjects will be included in the report of the Council on work done since the thirty-third session:

- 1. ANTI-DUMPING PRACTICES
 - Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices
- 2. ADJUSTMENT OF SPECIFIC DUTIES
- 3. BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
 - Consultations on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions
 - (a) Arrangements for consultations in 1978
 - (b) Consultation with Finland
 - (c) Consultation with Israel
 - (d) Consultation with Pakistan
 - (e) Consultation with Portugal
 - (f) Consultation with Turkey
 - (g) Examinations under simplified procedures
 - Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Greece, India
- 4. CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF EIGHTEEN
- 5. EMERGENCY ACTION AND TRADE RESTRICTIVE MEASURES
 - (a) Secretarist study on Article XIX
 - (b) EEC
 - Imports of TV sets from Korea
 - (c) Norway
 - Imports of textiles from Hong Kong
 - (d) Spain
 - Imports of bleached sulphate pulp
 - (e) United States
 - Suspension of customs liquidation regarding certain Japanese consumer electronic products

6. RECOURSE TO ARTICLE XXIII

- (a) Canada Withdrawal of tariff concessions
- (b) EEC
 - (i) Measures on animal feed proteins
 - (ii) Minimum import prices for processed fruits and vegetables
 - (iii) Refunds on exports of malted barley
- (c) Japan
 - (i) Restraints on imports of leather
 - (ii) Measures on imports of thrown silk
- (d) Tax legislation
 - (i) United States tax legislation (DISC)
 - (ii) Income tax practices maintained by France
 - (iii) Income tax practices maintained by Belgium
 - (iv) Income tax practices maintained by the Netherlands
- 7. EXPORT INFLATION INSURANCE SCHEMES
- 8. CUSTOMS UNIONS AND FREE-TRADE AREAS; REGIONAL AGREEMENTS
 - (a) Anglo-Irish Free-Trade Area
 - (b) ASEAN Agreement
 - (c) Bangkok Agreement
 - (d) European Communities
 - (i) Agreements with Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Lebanon
 - (ii) Agreement with Cyprus
 - (iii) Agreement with Malta
 - (e) Finland
 - (i) Agreement with Czechoslovakia
 - (ii) Agreement with Poland
- 9. TRADE ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN EGYPT, INDIA AND YUGOSLAVIA
- 10. WAIVERS UNDER ARTICLE XXV:5
 - (a) Brazil
 - Renegotiation of Schedule
 - (b) India
 - Auxiliary duty of customs

- (c) Uruguay
 - Import surcharge
- (d) Turkey
 - Stamp duty
- 11. REPORTS UNDER WAIVERS

United States

- Agricultural Adjustment Act
- 12. RENEGOTIATIONS UNDER ARTICLE XXVIII:4
 - (a) Procedures for negotiations under Article XXVIII
 - (b) New Zealand
- 13. PROVISIONAL ACCESSION
 - Thailand
- 14. HUNGARY
 - Consultations on trade
- 15. POLAND
 - Consultations on trade
- 16. APPLICATION OF ARTICLE XXXV TO JAPAN
- 17. INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE
 - Joint Advisory Group
- 18. ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES
 - Annual review
- 19. TRADE IN STEEL
- 20 TRAINING ACTIVITIES
- 21. STATUS OF PROTOCOLS
- 22. ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS
 - (a) Committee on Budget, Finance and Administration
 - (b) Assessment of additional contributions
 - (c) Deputy Director-General post
 - (d) Final position of 1977 budget of GATT
- 23. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIRTY-FOURTH SESSION
- 24. OBSERVER STATUS TO SESSIONS OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES