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Revision

At the request of the Commission of the European Communities, Australia and Canada, the following communication dated 4 May 1982 is being circulated to contracting parties in connection with item No. 2 of the proposed agenda for the Council meeting scheduled for 7 May 1982.

COMMUNICATION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GATT COUNCIL

1. In connection with the request of Argentina for the inscription of Item 2 on the agenda for the Council of 7 May and the explanatory note circulated by Argentina (L/5317), the European Community and its Member States, Australia and Canada, wish to state the following for the information of members of the Council:

- (a) they have taken certain measures in the light of the situation addressed in the Security Council Resolution 502;
- (b) they have taken these measures on the basis of their inherent rights of which Article XXI of the General Agreement is a reflection.

2. The European Community and its Member States, Australia and Canada, express the hope that the situation which has obliged them to take the measures to which they refer above will soon be satisfactorily resolved by appropriate negotiations elsewhere.