

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

COMMITTEE ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

Meeting of 4-5 October 1983

Note from the Chairman

1. The Committee held its fourteenth meeting on 4-5 October 1983, under the Chairmanship of Mr. K. Bergholm (Finland).
2. The Committee recorded, in light of the consultations held on the matter, certain conclusions concerning the functioning of Article 14.25.
3. The Committee agreed to make a list of products covered by the notifications under the Agreement available to interested standardizing bodies in order to obtain information on existing standards and work under way on the products concerned.
4. The Committee heard a presentation by the Secretary-General of NORDTEST on the procedures applied by NORDTEST and how they relate to those embodied in the Agreement, on the basis of an agreed list of questions. It agreed to invite representatives of PASC and CENELEC to address the Committee at its next meeting.
5. The Committee completed its fourth annual review of the implementation and operation of the Agreement in accordance with Article 15.8 of the Agreement (TBT/10 and Suppls. 1 and 2, TBT/17 and Suppls. 1 and 2, TBT/W/25/Rev.8 and Corrs. 1 and 2, TBT/W/31/Rev.3 and Corrs. 1 and 2 and TBT/W/62 and Corrs. 1 and 2).
6. The Committee adopted its report (1983) to the CONTRACTING PARTIES (L/5548). A section of the report included a review of the operation of the Agreement in accordance with the Ministerial Decision of November 1982 on MTN Agreements and Arrangements.
7. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 28-29 February 1984.