

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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COMMITTEE ON IMPORT LICENSING

Meeting of 6 October 1983

Note from the Chairman

1. The Committee held its ninth meeting on 6 October 1983, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Z. Jung (Czechoslovakia).
2. The Committee noted information on import licensing procedures made available both in writing and orally by signatories in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Agreement. The Committee also took note of the status of notifications made in response to the GATT Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures (L/5106/Rev.2).
3. The Committee reverted to its discussion at previous meetings regarding non-compliance by one signatory with Article 3(c) of the Agreement. The Committee again urged that all efforts be made to find a satisfactory solution to this problem.
4. The Committee completed its second biennial review of the implementation and operation of the Agreement under Article 5.5 on the basis of background documentation prepared by the secretariat (LIC/7).
5. The Committee adopted its annual report (1983) to the CONTRACTING PARTIES (L/5553), in accordance with Article 5.5 of the Agreement. The report contains a section reviewing the operation of the Agreement in light of the November 1982 Ministerial Decision on MTN Agreements and Arrangements. In this context, the Committee discussed a proposal to conduct informal meetings with interested parties to discuss obstacles which might exist to their acceptance of the Agreement.
6. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 15-16 May 1984.