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Communication from the United States

Addendum

The following communication, dated 14 February 1984, has been received from the delegation of the United States.

The United States Delegation requests that a session of the GATT Council be held before the end of the month to review the European Communities' proposed suspensions in response to safeguard measures taken by the United States on certain specialty steel products. The United States Delegation does not question the European Communities' right to suspend the application of substantially equivalent concessions under Article XIX:3(a); however, it is the position of the United States that, in this case, the calculation methods employed by the European Communities have led to a proposal for suspension which is in excess of that permitted under Article XIX:3 of the General Agreement.

Accordingly, it is the intention of the United States Delegation to request that the CONTRACTING PARTIES disapprove of the suspensions proposed by the European Communities.