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UNITED STATES CARIBBEAN BASIN ECONOMIC RECOVERY ACT

ATTENDANCE BY OBSERVERS AT THE WORKING PARTY

The Director-General has received the following communication, dated 3 May 1984, from the United States delegation.

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I am writing in connection with the GATT Working Party on the US request for a waiver with respect to trade preferences granted to countries in the Caribbean Basin region. Although some of the countries that are or could be designated as beneficiary countries under the Act authorizing such preferences are contracting parties, there are several which are neither contracting parties nor observers in the GATT Council. It would seem appropriate, and in keeping with past GATT practice, for the Council to permit these countries to participate in meetings of the Working Party as observers, if they so desire. I would appreciate it if this could be taken up at the 15-16 May meeting of the GATT Council in a manner that you deem appropriate.