

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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COMMITTEE ON IMPORT LICENSING

Meeting of 12 June 1984

Note from the Chairman

1. The Committee held its tenth meeting on 12 June 1984. It elected Mr. A. Liontas (Greece), Chairman and Mr. L. Paunescu (Romania), Vice-Chairman for 1984.
2. The Committee noted information made available by signatories in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Agreement and in response to questions by Committee members. The Committee also took note of the status of notifications made in response to the GATT Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures (L/5640 and Corr.1).
3. The Committee reverted to the discussion of non-compliance by one signatory with Article 3(c) of the Agreement. It noted the efforts made by that signatory to comply with its obligations and urged it to pursue these efforts and to keep the Committee informed accordingly. Several delegations expressed their concern with this matter.
4. Questions were raised regarding certain licensing practices to which the Committee agreed to revert at its next meeting.
5. The Chairman reported on his consultations with interested non-signatories concerning possible obstacles to their joining the Agreement. It was agreed that these consultations would be pursued with a view to organizing an informal meeting between signatories and interested non-signatories after the summer recess to discuss the matter.
6. The Committee discussed proposals for future work and agreed to continue this discussion on an informal basis for the time being.
7. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for the first week in October, the exact date to be announced by the secretariat in consultation with the Chairman.