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The following communication, dated 27 July 1984, has been received from the World Bank:

In view of the importance of the issues regularly under consideration in the GATT Council in relation to its operational and other concerns, the World Bank which already is an observer at sessions of the CONTRACTING PARTIES would be pleased if it were granted observer status at meetings of the Council.

I believe that by increasing the opportunities for regular contact between our institutions, we may be able to provide better service for the benefit of our member countries.