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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Report of the Council

Annexed is a list of the items on which the Council has taken or is likely to take action or to make recommendations before the opening of the session. When the CONTRACTING PARTIES examine the report there will be an opportunity for discussion or comment on any of these items. The minutes of Council meetings since the thirty-ninth session have been distributed in C/M/174 and subsequent documents.

2. Activities of GATT

This item of the agenda will provide the CONTRACTING PARTIES with an opportunity to review major developments since the thirty-ninth session, in particular those related to the Work Program resulting from the 1982 Ministerial Meeting, and to consider any reports, including that of the Committee on Trade and Development, submitted directly to the CONTRACTING PARTIES.

3. Dates of the forty-first session

4. Election of officers

ANNEX

Agenda Item 1: Report of the Council

The following points would be included in the report of the Council on work done since the thirty-ninth session. The final list would be modified to include other matters considered by the Council prior to the session.

1. Work Program resulting from the 1982 Ministerial Meeting¹
2. Reviews of developments in the trading system (special meetings on Notification, Consultation, Dispute Settlement and Surveillance)
3. Consultative Group of Eighteen
4. Sub-Committee on Protective Measures
5. Tariff matters
6. Trade in Textiles
 - (a) Reports of the Textiles Committee and Annual Report of the Textiles Surveillance Body
 - (b) United States - Imports of textiles and clothing
7. Balance-of-payments import restrictions
 - (a) Arrangements for consultations in 1984
 - (b) Consultation with Brazil
 - (c) Consultation with Ghana
 - (d) Consultation with Nigeria
 - (e) Consultation with Hungary
 - (f) Consultation with Israel
 - (g) Examination under simplified procedures
 - Consultations with Peru, Tunisia and Turkey
 - Consultations with India and Yugoslavia
 - (h) The trading environment and balance-of-payments consultations
8. Emergency action
 - United States - Article XIX action on imports of certain specialty steels
9. United States - Imports of copper
10. Norway - Termination of quantitative restrictions on imports from Hungary

¹Under this point, during the discussion of Agenda item 1 (Report of the Council), contracting parties may wish to make observations related to specific elements of the Work Program. It is expected that discussion on the Work Program as a whole will take place under Agenda item 2: "Activities of GATT".

11. Recourse to Articles XXII and XXIII
 - (a) Canada
 - Foreign Investment Review Act (FIRA)
 - (b) European Economic Community
 - Imports of newsprint from Canada
 - (c) Japan
 - (i) Measures on imports of leather
 - (ii) Measures affecting the world market for copper ores and concentrates
 - (d) New Zealand
 - Imports of electrical transformers from Finland
 - (e) United States
 - (i) Imports of sugar from Nicaragua
 - (ii) Manufacturing Clause
12. European Economic Community - Quantitative restrictions on imports of certain products from Hong Kong
 - Follow-up on the report of the Panel
13. United States - Imports of sugar from Nicaragua
 - Follow-up on the report of the Panel
14. United States tax legislation (DISC)
 - Follow-up on the report of the Panel
15. Customs unions and free-trade areas; regional agreements
 - (a) Biennial reports
 - (i) Caribbean Common Market
 - (ii) Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Cyprus
 - (iii) Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Malta
 - (iv) Agreement between the European Economic Community and Yugoslavia
 - (v) Agreements between the European Economic Community and Austria, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Portugal, Sweden and Switzerland
 - (vi) Co-operation Agreements between the European Economic Community and Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria
 - (b) Australia/New Zealand Closer Economic Relations Trade Agreement (ANZCERT)
16. Waivers under Article XXV:5
 - (a) India - Auxiliary duty of customs
 - (b) Uruguay - Import surcharges
 - (c) Reports under waivers
 - United States - Agricultural Adjustment Act
- [17.] United States - Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act

18. Switzerland - Review under paragraph 4 of the Protocol of Accession
19. Consultations on trade
- Hungary
20. Protectionism - Discussions related to certain US measures
21. Poland - Economic management system
22. Evolution of the GATT system - Suggestions by Jamaica
23. Training Activities
24. International Trade Centre
- Joint Advisory Group
25. Administrative and financial questions
 - (a) Committee on Budget, Finance and Administration
 - (i) Assessment of additional contributions on Belize to the 1983 and 1984 Budgets and advance to the Working Capital Fund
 - (ii) Final position of the 1983 Budget of the GATT
 - (b) Deputy Director-General post
26. Observers
 - (a) Observer status in GATT
 - (b) Requests
 - (1) Governments
 - El Salvador
 - Costa Rica
 - Algeria
 - (2) International organizations
 - World Bank
 - Inter-American Development Bank
 - Latin American Economic System
27. Conference rooms - Smoking
28. Arrangements for the fortieth session
- Dates of the session.