

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

L/5885

21 October 1985

Limited Distribution

---

CONTRACTING PARTIES  
Forty-First Session  
25-29 November 1985

## 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 and appropriate action on any of these items. The minutes of Council meetings since the fortieth session have been distributed in C/M/184 and subsequent documents.

### 2. Activities of GATT

This item of the agenda will provide the CONTRACTING PARTIES with an opportunity to review developments since the fortieth session, including those related to the Work Program resulting from the 1982 Ministerial meeting. The CONTRACTING PARTIES will also consider any other reports, including that of the Committee on Trade and Development, submitted to them directly and will take action on any matters not dealt with under other agenda items.

### 3. Report of the Senior Officials Group

Under this item of the agenda, the CONTRACTING PARTIES will consider the report of the Senior Officials Group established at the Special Session in September-October 1985, for action in terms of the Decision of 2 October 1985 (L/5876).

### 4. Dates of the forty-second session

### 5. Election of officers

ANNEX

The following points would be included in the report of the Council on work done since the fortieth 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 Meeting<sup>1</sup>
2. Recent developments in international trade and their consequences for GATT, and status of implementation of the 1982 Ministerial Work Program
3. Reviews of developments in the trading system (special meetings on Notification, Consultation, Dispute Settlement and Surveillance)
4. Consultative Group of Eighteen
5. "Trade Policies for a Better Future"  
- Report by an independent Study Group
6. Sub-Committee on Protective Measures
7. Committee on Tariff Concessions
8. Trade in Textiles  
- Report of the Textiles Committee
9. Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions
  - (a) Arrangements for consultations in 1985
  - (b) Appointment of Committee Chairman
  - (c) Consultations with Portugal and Korea
  - (d) Examination under simplified procedures
    - (i) Consultations with Bangladesh
    - (ii) Consultation with Pakistan
    - (iii) Consultation with Sri Lanka
    - (iv) Consultation with Turkey
  - (e) Note on the Committee's meetings
  - (f) Consultations concerning proposals by Chile and Colombia
10. Emergency action  
- Canada - Article XIX action on imports of footwear

---

<sup>1</sup>Under 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. United States - Proposed restrictions on imports of non-rubber footwear
12. United States - Ban on imports of steel pipes and tubes from the European Community
13. United States - Trade measures affecting Nicaragua
14. Recourse to Articles XXII and XXIII
  - (a) Brazil
    - Treatment of electric data processing equipment
  - (b) Canada
    - (i) Measures affecting the sale of gold coins
    - (ii) Import, distribution and sale of alcoholic drinks by provincial marketing agencies
  - (c) European Economic Community
    - (i) Production aids granted on canned peaches, canned pears, canned fruit cocktail and dried grapes
    - (ii) Tariff treatment on imports of citrus products from certain countries in the Mediterranean region
  - (d) Japan
    - Quantitative restrictions on imports of leather footwear
  - (e) New Zealand
    - Imports of electrical transformers from Finland
  - (f) United States
    - (i) Tax legislation (DISC-FSCA)
    - (ii) Restrictions on imports of certain sugar-containing products
15. Japan - Measures on imports of leather
  - Follow-up on the Panel report
16. Customs unions and free-trade areas; regional agreements
  - (a) Agreement between Israel and the United States
  - (b) Enlargement of the European Economic Community
  - (c) Biennial reports
    - (i) Calendar of biennial reports
    - (ii) Association Agreement between European Economic Community and Turkey
    - (iii) South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement (SPARTECA)
    - (iv) Agreement between Finland and Hungary
17. Waivers under Article XXV:5
  - (a) India - Auxiliary duty of customs
  - (b) Pakistan - Renegotiation of schedule
  - (c) Turkey - Stamp duty
  - (d) United States - Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (CBERA)
  - (e) Uruguay - Import surcharges
  - (f) Reports under waivers
    - United States - Agricultural Adjustment Act

18. European Economic Community - Proposed measure on video tape recorders
19. Accession, provisional accession
  - (a) Costa Rica
  - (b) Morocco
20. Consultations on trade
  - (a) Hungary
  - (b) Romania
21. Egypt - Economic development tax
22. De facto application of General Agreement
23. New Zealand - Changes in New Zealand's scheme under the GSP
24. Japan - Further opening of Japanese market
25. Sweden - Import liberalization
26. Norway - Further liberalization of Norwegian GSP scheme
27. United States - Imports of automobiles
28. International trade in agriculture
29. Training Activities
30. International Trade Centre  
- Joint Advisory Group
31. Administrative and Financial questions
  - (a) Pension matters
  - (b) Committee on Budget, Finance and Administration
    - (i) Membership
    - (ii) Designation of new Chairman
    - (iii) Final position of 1984 Budget
32. Council  
- Saudi Arabia - Request for observer status
33. Tentative Program of Meetings
34. Items under "Other Business"
35. Arrangements for forty-first session