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Communication from Chile

The following communication, dated 2 June 1988, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Chile.

At its meeting on 4 May last, the Council of Representatives decided to establish a Panel under Article XXIII:2 of the General Agreement, its membership and terms of reference to be the subject of consultations by the Chairman of the Council.

While the Panel will have the task of making recommendations to the Council regarding the dispute over measures imposed by the EEC on imports of apples, we are at present concerned over the absence of any solution on the part of the Community to the problem of apples en route, that is to say apple shipments that were on their way to their Community destination and had no licence at the time when the issue of licences was suspended. These apples are being held in cold-storage warehouses at the EEC ports of destination pending a solution.

This problem, which requires an urgent solution, is covered by Article XIII:3(b); accordingly we would request you to include in the agenda for the Council's meeting on 15 June next an item entitled: European Economic Community - Restrictions on Imports of Dessert Apples.