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COMMITTEE ON TRADE IN CIVIL AIRCRAFT

Report to the CONTRACTING PARTIES

1. This report is submitted under Article 8.2 of the Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft. It sets out the activities of the Committee since November 1987.
2. In November 1988 there were twenty-two signatories to the Agreement: Austria, Canada, the EEC, Belgium, Denmark, France, Federal Republic of Germany, Greece, (subject to ratification), Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, the United Kingdom, Egypt (subject to ratification), Japan, Norway, Romania, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States. In addition, the following contracting parties have observer status in the Committee: Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Cameroon, Czechoslovakia, Gabon, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Israel, Malta, Mauritius, Nigeria, Poland, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Yugoslavia. The IMF and UNCTAD are also observers.
3. The Committee on Trade in Civil Aircraft held two regular meetings in the period under review: on 14 March 1988 and 19 October 1988. No special meetings were called.
4. The Committee noted the entry into force on 1 January 1988 of the Protocol (1986) Amending the Annex to the Agreement, which contains the transposition of the prior Annex into Harmonized System nomenclature and revised CCCN. It extended the time-limit for acceptance of the Protocol until 31 December 1987, and after reviewing the status of acceptances opened subject to confirmation a new Protocol (1988), equivalent to the Protocol (1986), to accommodate outstanding acceptances. The Committee took note of the notifications under Article 1:2 on Signatories' entities operating military aircraft; discussed matters of mandatory offsets of FAA aircraft maintenance regulations, statistical reporting and possible further negotiations. The Committee also heard a report on the on-going informal consultations on Articles 4 and 6.
5. The minutes of the Committee's meetings are contained in documents AIR/M/1 to 25 and are available to the contracting parties to the GATT.