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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 October 1988.

2. As at 18 October 1989 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, 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 and Yugoslavia. The IMF and UNCTAD are also observers.

3. The Committee on Trade in Civil Aircraft held two meetings in the period under review: on 9 November 1988 and 18 October 1989.

4. On 9 November 1988, the Committee adopted a Decision to extend indefinitely the date for acceptance of the Protocol (1986) Amending the Annex to the Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft, which contains the transposition of the prior Annex into Harmonized System nomenclature and revised CCCN. At its meeting in October, the Committee took note of the ratification of the Agreement by Egypt and invited that Signatory and other Signatories who had not done so to accept the Protocol (1986) without delay. One Signatory raised the question of another Signatory's provision of information regarding mandatory offsets, and the response to this question was deferred to a future meeting. The Committee also heard a further report on the ongoing bilateral consultations on Articles 4 and 6.

5. The minutes of the Committee's meetings are contained in documents AIR/M/1 to 27 and are available to the contracting parties to the GATT.