

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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MTN/NTM/63

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Multilateral Trade Negotiations

Group "Non-Tariff Measures"

Sub-Group "Subsidies and Countervailing Duties"

MEETING OF 20 DECEMBER 1978

Note by the Chairman

1. The Sub-Group met on 20 December 1978. It invited the Secretary-General of UNCTAD or his representative to attend this meeting as an observer.
2. The Sub-Group had before it, in addition to documents circulated earlier, an outline of an arrangement on subsidies and countervailing duties (MTN/NTM/W/210). The Sub-Group noted that although the outline provided a substantive basis for final agreement, it did not commit any delegation and further elaborations would be needed in order to arrive at an operational document. Attention was also drawn to the document MTN/NTM/W/208 which had been circulated at the meeting of 14 December 1978 as a working paper by several developing countries.
3. The Sub-Group agreed that bilateral and plurilateral consultations, involving all interested participants, should continue and that the date of its next meeting would be fixed by the Chairman in consultation with delegations.