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FOURTH MEETING OF THE NEGOTIATING GROUP ON AGRICULTURE

Note by the Chairman

1. The Negotiating Group on Agriculture met from 26 to 27 October 1987.
2. The Group continued its work under the Initial Phase of the Negotiating Plan on Agriculture.
3. Proposals for negotiations on agriculture by the European Communities (NG5/W/20), by the Cairns Group (NG5/W/21) and by Canada (NG5/W/19) were submitted to the Negotiating Group and were the subject of a preliminary exchange of views. A communication from Switzerland on the negotiations on agriculture (NG5/W/22) was presented to, and discussed in, the Group. The United States proposal NG5/W/14 was also considered and further views exchanged thereon. The texts of a number of the statements made by participants will be circulated in due course.
4. The Group was informed that notifications in the revised AG/FOR/-series had been received from Argentina, Australia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, the EEC, Finland, Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United States. Other participants were invited to notify their measures and policies, in line with the guidance note NG5/W/1, as soon as possible.
5. The Group agreed that at its next meeting (on 7 and 8 December 1987) it would examine proposals submitted and complete its work under the Initial Phase of the Negotiating Plan. Participants which have not yet submitted proposals in accordance with the initial phase were invited to do so in advance of the next meeting.
6. The secretariat would prepare a brief summary of the main points raised in the course of the present meeting. In order to facilitate the further work of the Group it was agreed that the secretariat would prepare a note on the aggregate measurement of support in the context of the negotiations.