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DISCUSSION AND PROPOSALS IN OTHER NEGOTIATING GROUPS
AND IN THE CODE COMMITTEES RELATING TO DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Update to Note by the Secretariat

1. At the meeting of 7 February 1990, the Negotiating Group on Dispute Settlement requested the Secretariat to update its Note of 24 January 1990 on Discussion and Proposals in other Negotiating Groups and in the Code Committees relating to Dispute Settlement. This update to the Note is prepared in response to that request. Reference is made only to those Groups and Committees where there have been substantive proposals or discussion on the issue of dispute settlement.

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2. Further proposals and comments relating to the issue of dispute settlement have been submitted in Negotiating Group 2 on Non-Tariff Measures. Reference to dispute settlement is made in a submission on Rules of Origin by the European Communities (MTN.GNG/NG2/W/55). Consideration of the dispute settlement issue is also contained in submissions on Preshipment Inspection by Zaire (MTN.GNG/NG2/W/56), Austria (MTN.GNG/NG2/W/57) and the European Communities (MTN.GNG/NG2/W/60).

3. Within Negotiating Group 5 on Agriculture, the Working Group on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Regulations and Barriers discussed proposals relating to dispute settlement at their meeting of 19-20 February 1990 (MTN.GNG/NG5/WGSP/W/13). Proposals were introduced by the Nordic countries (MTN.GNG/NG5/WGSP/W/11), Austria (MTN.GNG/NG5/W/144), the European Communities (MTN.GNG/NG5/W/146) and Japan (MTN.GNG/NG5/W/131 and MTN.GNG/NG5/W/156).

4. Proposals relating to dispute settlement were also made in Negotiating Group 7 on GATT Articles. In the Note on the Meeting of 27-28 February and 1 March 1990 (MTN.GNG/NG7/15), reference is made to dispute settlement in discussion of Articles XVIII, XXIII, XXIV and XXVIII. The issue is also considered in a United States statement on the United States/Canada Balance-of-Payments proposal (MTN.GNG/NG7/W/64) and in a communication from the European Communities on Balance-of-Payments measures (MTN.GNG/NG7/W/68). In addition, the issue is addressed in a submission by Japan on regional arrangements under Article XXIV (MTN.GNG/NG7/W/66) and in a submission by Switzerland on improvements to the functioning of Article XXVIII (MTN.GNG/NG7/W/67).

5. In Negotiating Group 11 on the Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights, the issue of dispute settlement is addressed in proposals by Mexico (MTN.GNG/NG11/W/60) and Chile (MTN.GNG/NG11/W/61), and in discussion at the meeting of 5-6 January 1990 (MTN.GNG/NG11/18, paras 6-12).