

30 APRIL 1975

SUBJECT: NON-TARIFF MEASURES SUB-GROUP: "SUBSIDIES AND COUNTERVAILING DUTIES"

1. AS AGREED BY GROUP "NON-TARIFF MEASURES", THE SUB-GROUP "SUBSIDIES AND COUNTERVAILING DUTIES" WILL MEET ON 3 JUNE 1975 AT 10 A.M. THE MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE GOVERNING BODY ROOM OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION BUILDING.

2. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT GROUP "NON-TARIFF MEASURES" AGREED THAT THE SUB-GROUP WILL CARRY OUT NEGOTIATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- (a) SUBSIDIES;
- (b) COUNTERVAILING DUTIES;

AND THAT THE WAY THE ITEMS IN THIS GROUPING WOULD BE DEALT WITH WOULD BE DECIDED IN THE ACTUAL NEGOTIATIONS ON THEM.

3. A BACKGROUND NOTE BY THE SECRETARIAT, PREPARED ON INSTRUCTIONS OF GROUP "NON-TARIFF MEASURES", WILL BE CIRCULATED SHORTLY (MTN/NTM/W/8). IT IS SUGGESTED THAT AFTER HAVING DEALT WITH THE WAY IN WHICH ITS WORK WOULD BE ORGANIZED THE SUB-GROUP BEGIN ITS WORK BY ADDRESSING ITSELF TO SOME OF THE ISSUES SET OUT IN CHAPTER A AND B OF THIS NOTE, IT BEING OPEN TO DELEGATIONS TO TAKE UP SUCH OTHER ISSUES UNDER THESE HEADINGS AS APPEAR TO THEM RELEVANT.

4. THE MEETING IS OPEN TO THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE INDICATED THEIR DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND HAVE THUS ASSUMED MEMBERSHIP OF THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE. SUCH MEMBERS ARE ACCORDINGLY INVITED TO INFORM ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES WHO WILL ATTEND THE MEETING OF THE SUB-GROUP.

5. REPRESENTATIVES NOT HAVING YET REGISTERED FOR THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE CONFERENCE OFFICER, VILLA LE BOGAGE, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY ENTRANCE CARDS.

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