

29 MAY 1975

SUBJECT: GROUP "TROPICAL PRODUCTS"

1. AS PREVIOUSLY AGREED THE GROUP "TROPICAL PRODUCTS" WILL MEET ON 16-20 JUNE 1975 TO PURSUE ITS WORK AS OUTLINED IN THE GUIDELINES FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS (MTN/TP/1). THE MEETING WILL BEGIN ON 16 JUNE 1975 AT 3 P.M. IN THE GOVERNING BODY ROOM OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION BUILDING.
2. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT AT THIS MEETING THE GROUP MAY WISH TO FOCUS ON A REVIEW OF THE STATUS OF REQUESTS AND CONSIDERATION OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE CIRCULATION OF INITIAL OFFERS WITH RESPECT TO TROPICAL PRODUCTS (MTN/TP/1, PARAGRAPH 1(iv)). THE GROUP MAY ALSO WISH TO TAKE UP ANY QUESTIONS AS TO HOW SPECIAL AND PRIORITY TREATMENT MAY BE ENSURED IN THIS SECTOR, WHICH, IN THE OPINION OF DELEGATIONS, NEED TO BE CONSIDERED ON A MULTILATERAL BASIS (MTN/TP/1, PARAGRAPH 1(v)). THE GROUP MAY ALSO WISH TO ADDRESS ITSELF TO ANY OTHER RELEVANT POINTS CONTAINED IN THE GUIDELINES FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH IT IS CONSIDERED MIGHT APPROPRIATELY BE REVIEWED OR EXAMINED AT THIS STAGE OF ITS ACTIVITIES. IT MIGHT ALSO WISH TO CONSIDER THE QUESTION OF A REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED BY IT TO THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE.
3. 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 GROUP.
4. 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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