

13 OCTOBER 1975

SUBJECT: GROUP "SECTOR APPROACH"

1. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP "SECTOR APPROACH" WILL BE HELD DURING THE PERIOD 3-7 NOVEMBER COMMENCING AT 3 P.M. ON 3 NOVEMBER IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS.
2. AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING OF 1-3 JULY (MTN/SEC/2), THE GROUP IS EXPECTED TO CARRY OUT, INTER ALIA, A DETAILED EXAMINATION OF THE DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARIAT, WITH A VIEW TO DETERMINING WHAT CONCLUSIONS, IF ANY, MAY BE REACHED WITH REGARD TO THE POSSIBILITIES OFFERED BY THE SECTOR APPROACH IN RESPECT OF ORES AND METALS (MTN/SEC/W/1 AND ADDENDA) AND IN RESPECT OF OTHER SECTORS OF INTEREST TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (MTN/SEC/W/2). IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THIS EXAMINATION SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE INTER-RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN DIFFERENT TRADE BARRIERS APPLYING IN THE ORES AND METALS AREA AS WELL AS OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY INFLUENCE TRADING PATTERNS IN THIS AREA. THE ANALYSIS SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE, INTER ALIA, THE POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS OF THE SECTOR APPROACH FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE POSSIBILITIES OF DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THE GROUP ALSO AGREED TO REVERT TO THE QUESTION OF STUDIES ON CERTAIN OTHER SECTORS IN THE LIGHT OF THE EXAMINATION OF EXISTING DOCUMENTATION AND DEVELOPMENTS IN OTHER AREAS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.
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 BOCAGE, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY CARDS.

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