

GATT/AIR/1254

9 JANUARY 1976

SUBJECT: NON-TARIFF MEASURES SUB-GROUP "TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE"

1. AS AGREED AT ITS LAST MEETING, THE SUB-GROUP "TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE" WILL RECONVENE AT 10 A.M. ON TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 1976 IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS. THE MEETING MAY BE EXPECTED TO LAST FOR A PERIOD OF TWO WEEKS.
2. THE SUB-GROUP HAS AGREED THAT AT THIS MEETING IT SHOULD EXAMINE THE SUGGESTIONS MADE AT ITS TECHNICAL LEVEL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 1975 CONCERNING THE PROPOSED GATT CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PREVENTING TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE (ANNEXED TO MTN/NTM/W/5) AND ANY OTHER SUGGESTIONS ON THIS TEXT WHICH ARE RAISED BEFORE THE MEETING, WITH A VIEW TO REACHING AGREEMENT ON AS MANY OF THESE AS POSSIBLE (MTN/NTM/W/24, PARAGRAPHS 7 TO 11).
3. THE SECRETARIAT NOTE ON THE MEETING HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED AS MTN/NTM/W/25, AND ADDITIONAL POINTS COMMUNICATED TO THE SECRETARIAT BY 31 DECEMBER 1975 AS MTN/NTM/W/25/Add.1.
4. THE SUB-GROUP HAS ALSO AGREED TO INVITE DELEGATIONS TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS IN WRITING AS TO HOW MARKS OF ORIGIN SHOULD BE DEALT WITH IN THE NEGOTIATIONS AND TO REVERT TO THIS QUESTION AT ITS NEXT MEETING ON THE BASIS OF THE PROPOSALS RECEIVED. DELEGATIONS WISHING TO MAKE PROPOSALS ARE REQUESTED TO DO SO AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
5. 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.
6. 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 ENTRANCE CARDS.

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