

25 JANUARY 1977

SUBJECT: GROUP "SAFEGUARDS"

1. AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING IN OCTOBER 1976, THE GROUP "SAFEGUARDS" WILL HOLD ITS NEXT MEETING IN THE WEEK OF 14 FEBRUARY 1977. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN ON 14 FEBRUARY AT 3 P.M. AND WILL BE HELD IN THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION BUILDING (ENTRANCE AVENUE GUISEPPE-MOTTA).
2. THE GROUP AGREED TO CONTINUE ITS WORK AT THE FORTHCOMING MEETING ON THE BASIS OF THE ELEMENTS IN THE SPECIFIC PROPOSALS BEFORE IT, INCLUDING THE PROPOSALS FOR SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIATED TREATMENT FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND THE CONSIDERATIONS ADVANCED BY OTHER DELEGATIONS (MTN/SG/6, PARAGRAPH 8).
3. THE MAIN DOCUMENTS FOR THE MEETING ARE:
 - UNITED STATES PROPOSAL FOR AN IMPROVED MULTILATERAL SAFEGUARD SYSTEM (MTN/SG/W/11 AND MTN/SG/W/14);
 - JAPAN'S VIEW ON THE MULTILATERAL SAFEGUARD SYSTEM (MTN/SG/W/16);
 - STATEMENT BY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF CANADA ON 27 OCTOBER 1976 (MTN/SG/W/17);
 - STATEMENT BY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES ON 27 OCTOBER 1976 (MTN/SG/W/18);
 - PROPOSALS MADE BY BRAZIL, NIGERIA, PAKISTAN (MTN/3D/5 ANNEXES 3-5), AND MEXICO (MTN/SG/W/10).
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 GROUP.

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