

GATT/AIR/211

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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON IMPORT RESTRICTIONS NOT COVERED BY THE AGREEMENT

1. AT ITS FIRST SESSION HELD FROM 19-23 SEPTEMBER 1960 THE COUNCIL DISCUSSED FURTHER THE QUESTION OF PROCEDURES IN CONNEXION WITH THE REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS NO LONGER JUSTIFIED UNDER ARTICLES XII OR ARTICLE XVIII:B (SEE C/M/1).
2. IN THE LIGHT OF THE DISCUSSION THE COUNCIL AGREED, WITH A VIEW TO FURTHERING THE WORK OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES IN CONNEXION WITH IMPORT RESTRICTIONS, TO INVITE CONTRACTING PARTIES TO COMMUNICATE LISTS OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS WHICH THEY APPLY CONTRARY TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT AND WITHOUT HAVING OBTAINED AUTHORIZATION FROM THE CONTRACTING PARTIES.
3. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT FOR THIS PURPOSE A LIST OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
 - (a) THE TYPE OF RESTRICTIONS APPLIED (e.g. PROHIBITION, DISCRETIONARY INDIVIDUAL LICENSING, GLOBAL QUOTAS, ALLOCATED QUOTAS, SEASONAL QUOTAS, BILATERAL QUOTAS, LICENSING CONTROL WITHOUT EFFECTIVE RESTRICTION, ETC.),
 - (b) THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY EACH TYPE OF RESTRICTION,
 - (c) IF DIFFERENTIATION BETWEEN SOURCES OF SUPPLY IS INVOLVED, THE AREAS OR COUNTRIES TO WHICH THE MEASURES APPLY, and,
 - (d) THE INTENDED DURATION OF EACH RESTRICTION.
4. IT WOULD BE MOST DESIRABLE IF THIS INFORMATION COULD BE SUPPLIED TO THE SECRETARIAT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND NOT LATER THAN 31 OCTOBER, i.e. THE DATE OF THE OPENING OF THE SEVENTEENTH SESSION.

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