

GATT/AIR/224

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SUBJECT: IMPORT RESTRICTIONS INCONSISTENT WITH THE GENERAL AGREEMENT

1. IN PARAGRAPH 7 OF THE PROCEDURES FOR DEALING WITH RESIDUAL IMPORT RESTRICTIONS, ADOPTED AT THE SEVENTEENTH SESSION, CONTRACTING PARTIES HAVE BEEN INVITED TO COMMUNICATE TO THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY LISTS OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS WHICH THEY ARE APPLYING CONTRARY TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT AND WITHOUT HAVING OBTAINED THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES (SEE L/1394, IN BISD, NINTH SUPPLEMENT, P.19).
2. AT ITS LAST MEETING THE COUNCIL AGREED THAT:
  - (a) THE IMPORT RESTRICTIONS TO BE NOTIFIED BY CONTRACTING PARTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 7 OF THE PROCEDURES IN L/1394 SHOULD BE THE FOLLOWING:
    - (i) THOSE IMPORT RESTRICTIONS WHICH, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE NOTIFYING GOVERNMENT, ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT AND IN RESPECT OF WHICH NO AUTHORIZATION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE CONTRACTING PARTIES;
    - (ii) IMPORT RESTRICTIONS WHICH ARE AS DESCRIBED IN (i) BUT THE MAINTENANCE OF WHICH, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE NOTIFYING GOVERNMENT, IS PERMITTED UNDER THE TERMS ON WHICH THAT GOVERNMENT IS APPLYING PROVISIONALLY THE GENERAL AGREEMENT;
  - (b) ANY CONTRACTING PARTY, WHEN REQUESTED TO DO SO BY ANOTHER CONTRACTING PARTY, SHOULD PROMPTLY SUPPLY THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WITH INFORMATION ON ANY RESTRICTION WHICH HAS NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE LIST SUBMITTED UNDER PARAGRAPH 7 OF THE PROCEDURES BUT WHICH, IN THE OPINION OF THE REQUESTING CONTRACTING PARTY, SHOULD HAVE BEEN SO INCLUDED.
3. IT WAS ALSO AGREED THAT CONTRACTING PARTIES SHOULD BE INVITED TO COMMUNICATE THEIR LISTS TO THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BY 1 MAY 1961. I SHALL BE GRATEFUL IF YOUR GOVERNMENT WILL ARRANGE FOR ANY SUCH LIST TO REACH ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PRIOR TO THAT DATE SO THAT A CONSOLIDATED DOCUMENT CONTAINING ALL SUCH DATA SUPPLIED BY CONTRACTING PARTIES CAN BE ISSUED EARLY IN MAY. CONTRACTING PARTIES WHICH HAVE ALREADY RESPONDED TO THE EARLIER REQUEST MADE IN OCTOBER 1960, ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY ANY CHANGES TO THE DATA SUPPLIED.

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4. AS HAS BEEN SUGGESTED IN GATT/AIR/211, A LIST OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS SUBMITTED FOR THIS PURPOSE SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- (a) THE NATURE OF THE RESTRICTION OR RESTRICTIONS,
- (b) THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY EACH TYPE OF RESTRICTION,
- (c) WHERE APPLICABLE, THE AREAS OR COUNTRIES TO WHICH THE MEASURES APPLY, AND
- (d) THE INTENDED DURATION OF EACH RESTRICTION.

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