

1 FEBRUARY 1963

SUBJECT: SPECIAL GROUP AND SUB-GROUP ON TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS

1. AS AGREED AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON 16 JANUARY THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SPECIAL GROUP AND THE SUB-GROUP ON TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 14-22 MARCH.
2. THE SUB-GROUP WILL MEET AT 3 P.M. ON 14 MARCH AND IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT IT WILL BE READY TO MAKE A REPORT TO A MEETING OF THE SPECIAL GROUP COMMENCING ON 20 MARCH. THE MEETING OF THE SPECIAL GROUP COULD EXTEND BEYOND 22 MARCH IF FOUND DESIRABLE. MEETINGS OF BOTH GROUPS WILL BE HELD AT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA.
3. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OUTLINE OF WORK SET OUT IN L/1952, THE SECRETARIAT WILL DISTRIBUTE SHORTLY THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE SUB-GROUP:
 - (I) COMMODITY STUDIES ON BANANAS, COCOA, COFFEE, OILSEEDS AND VEGETABLE OILS
 - (II) COUNTRY STUDIES ON IVORY COAST AND SENEGAL.
4. FURTHER COUNTRY STUDIES ON NIGERIA, GHANA, AND SOMALIA WILL BE PREPARED LATER.
5. MEMBERSHIP OF THE SPECIAL GROUP AND THE SUB-GROUP IS AS FOLLOWS:

BRAZIL	INDIA	SWEDEN
CEYLON	INDONESIA	UNITED KINGDOM
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY	NIGERIA	UNITED STATES
GHANA		
6. FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY THE SPECIAL GROUP, I WILL SEND SPECIAL INVITATIONS TO LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WHICH ARE NOT CONTRACTING PARTIES BUT WHICH HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE PRODUCTS UNDER DISCUSSION.
7. GOVERNMENTS LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 5 ABOVE, AS WELL AS OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES AND GOVERNMENTS WISHING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS AT THE MEETING OF THE SUB-GROUP, ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

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