

GATT/AIR/354

1 NOVEMBER 1963

SUBJECT: PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1963

THE PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS ANNOUNCED IN AIRGRAMS 350 AND 353 WAS REVIEWED BY THE COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES AT ITS MEETING ON 29 OCTOBER. A FEW MODIFICATIONS WERE AGREED UPON AND THE PROGRAMME AS IT NOW STANDS IS ATTACHED.

THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON THE TARIFF NEGOTIATING PLAN DURING THE WEEK BEGINNING 18 NOVEMBER ARE DEPENDENT UPON THE COMPLETION OF CERTAIN PREPARATORY WORK AT PRESENT IN PROGRESS AND THEREFORE THE EXACT TIMING OF THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

COMMITTEE III HAS RECOMMENDED THAT A SHORT MEETING OF THE SPECIAL GROUP ON TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS TO REVIEW THE OUTCOME OF THE UN CONFERENCE ON COCOA SHOULD BE HELD DURING NOVEMBER. DATES FOR THIS MEETING WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

THE GROUPS ON CEREALS AND MEAT WILL HOLD MEETINGS DURING THIS PERIOD, AND IF THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE ESTABLISHES A GROUP ON DAIRY PRODUCTS, PROVISION WILL BE MADE FOR A SHORT FIRST MEETING OF THIS GROUP.

SUB-COMMITTEE 1 OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE, WHICH MET ON 24 OCTOBER, WILL MEET AGAIN DURING THIS PERIOD AS NECESSARY. A MEETING OF SUB-COMMITTEE 2 WILL BE ARRANGED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MEMBERS. SUB-COMMITTEE 3, WHICH IS A CO-ORDINATING BODY, MAY HAVE TO MEET EARLIER THAN 9 DECEMBER.

IT WILL BE OBSERVED THAT THE COUNCIL ENVISAGES THAT THE TWENTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL BE HELD IN TWO PARTS. THE FIRST PART WILL BE A MEETING OF ONLY TWO DAYS FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF RECEIVING A REPORT FROM THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE 1964 NEGOTIATIONS. THE CONVENING OF THIS FIRST PART OF THE SESSION IS THEREFORE SUBJECT TO THE POSSIBILITY OF CANCELLATION IN THE EVENT THAT THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE, AT ITS MEETING AT THE END OF NOVEMBER, SHOULD FIND THAT REFERENCE OF PROBLEMS IN CONNEXION WITH THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS TO THE CONTRACTING PARTIES IS UNNECESSARY. IF THE FIRST PART OF THE SESSION IS HELD AS ENVISAGED, A REPORT BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE WILL ALSO BE SUBMITTED TO THE CONTRACTING PARTIES AT THAT TIME. THE SECOND PART OF THE TWENTY-FIRST SESSION (OR THE WHOLE OF THE SESSION IF THE FIRST PART SHOULD BE CANCELLED) WILL BE HELD FROM 24 FEBRUARY TO 20 MARCH 1964.

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12-15 NOVEMBER	TNC S/C ON NON-TARIFF BARRIERS
18-22 NOVEMBER	TNC COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE TNC S/C ON TARIFF NEGOTIATING PLAN
25-29 NOVEMBER	TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE
27 NOVEMBER	TNC S/C ON PARTICIPATION OF LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES
2-6 DECEMBER	COMMITTEE ON COTTON TEXTILES
2-13 DECEMBER	COMMITTEE ON BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS RESTRICTIONS
9-18 DECEMBER	WORKING PARTY ON PREFERENCES COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK
9 DECEMBER	S/C 3 OF ACTION COMMITTEE
12-13 DECEMBER	COUNCIL
16-17 DECEMBER	ACTION COMMITTEE
18-19 DECEMBER	CONTRACTING PARTIES - TWENTY-FIRST SESSION (FIRST PART)