

GATT/AIR/440

6 JANUARY 1965

SUBJECT: MEETING OF EXPERT GROUP ON TRADE INFORMATION AND TRADE PROMOTION
ADVISORY SERVICES

1. THE COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES AT ITS MEETING ON 17/18 DECEMBER 1964 DECIDED THAT THE SECOND MEETING OF THE EXPERT GROUP ON TRADE INFORMATION AND TRADE PROMOTION ADVISORY SERVICES (THE GATT INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE) SHOULD TAKE PLACE ON 15 TO 17 FEBRUARY 1965. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, BEGINNING AT 3 PM ON MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY.
2. ANY PROPOSALS THAT CONTRACTING PARTIES MIGHT WISH TO MAKE REGARDING THE WORK OF THE GATT TRADE CENTRE SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO ME FOR DISTRIBUTION TO CONTRACTING PARTIES, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IN THIS CONNEXION DOCUMENTS COM.III/128, L/2181 PART A, AND SR.21/9 PAGES 137-41 ARE PARTICULARLY RELEVANT; CONTRACTING PARTIES WILL NOTE ESPECIALLY THAT PARAGRAPH 8 OF DOCUMENT COM.III/128 (REPORT ON FIRST MEETING OF THE EXPERT GROUP) REFERS TO THE RECONVENING OF THE GROUP "...WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINE, IN THE LIGHT OF THE EXPERIENCE GAINED AND FURTHER SUGGESTIONS BY GOVERNMENTS, THE TYPE AND DIRECTION OF THE SERVICES WHICH WOULD BE MOST USEFUL TO EXPORTERS IN LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES..."
3. EXPERTS NOMINATED BY THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENTS, BUT ACTING IN THEIR PERSONAL CAPACITY, PARTICIPATED IN THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GROUP IN FEBRUARY 1964:

AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, CANADA, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, INDIA, ISRAEL, ITALY, MADAGASCAR, KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS, SWEDEN, UNITED KINGDOM AND UNITED STATES

WHILE OBSERVERS WERE SENT BY:

INDONESIA, JAPAN, PORTUGAL AND SWITZERLAND.

I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL TO KNOW WHETHER ANY GOVERNMENTS ADDITIONAL TO THE FOREGOING WOULD WISH TO NOMINATE REPRESENTATIVES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FORTHCOMING MEETING OF THE GROUP. IN THIS CONNEXION ATTENTION MIGHT BE DRAWN TO THE FACT THAT COMMITTEE III, WHEN CONSIDERING THE REPORT FROM THE FIRST MEETING, AND THE CONTRACTING PARTIES, WHEN EXAMINING THE MATTER AT THEIR TWENTY-FIRST SESSION IN MARCH 1964, EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT MORE LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES MIGHT FIND IT POSSIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP.

4. CONTRACTING PARTIES INTENDING TO PARTICIPATE ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY ME BY 12 FEBRUARY OF THE NAMES OF THEIR EXPERTS. OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES AND ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENTS DESIRING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM ME OF THE NAMES OF THE REPRESENTATIVES THEY PROPOSE TO SEND TO THE MEETING.

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