

GATT/AIR/469

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SUBJECT: ARTICLE XXII CONSULTATIONS ON POULTRY

THE DELEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES HAS ADVISED ME THAT THE UNITED STATES IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE SITUATION WHICH IS DEVELOPING IN EUROPEAN MARKETS FOR POULTRY, WHERE IT FEELS THAT ITS TRADING INTERESTS ARE BEING SERIOUSLY PREJUDICED BY MEASURES WHICH SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAVE RECENTLY TAKEN TO MEET THE PROBLEM ARISING FROM THE PRESENT CONDITIONS OF STRENUOUS COMPETITION IN THE MARKET FOR POULTRY.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BELIEVE THAT THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH THIS MATTER IS BY A MULTILATERAL CONSULTATION UNDER THE GATT WITH THE MAIN EUROPEAN EXPORTERS AND IMPORTERS OF POULTRY WITH A VIEW TO WORKING OUT A POSITIVE SOLUTION.

TO THIS END THE UNITED STATES REQUESTED A JOINT CONSULTATION UNDER PARAGRAPH I OF ARTICLE XXII TO BE HELD WITH AUSTRIA, DENMARK, EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY AND SWITZERLAND.

ANY OTHER CONTRACTING PARTY ASSERTING A SUBSTANTIAL TRADE INTEREST IN THE MATTER IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE ME BY 3 JUNE 1965 IF IT DESIRES TO BE JOINED IN THE CONSULTATION.

THE CONSULTATION WILL COMMENCE AT 3 P.M. ON 8 JUNE 1965. THE SECRETARIAT WILL ADVISE DELEGATIONS IN DUE COURSE ABOUT THE PLACE WHERE THE MEETING WILL BE HELD.

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