

GATT/AIR/680

14 OCTOBER 1968

SUBJECT: COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE

1. AS ANNOUNCED IN GATT/AIR/671, THE COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE WILL MEET FROM 22-23 OCTOBER 1968. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA, BEGINNING AT 10 A.M. ON TUESDAY, 22 OCTOBER, (ROOM XV).
2. THE MAIN MATTERS WHICH I BELIEVE SHOULD RECEIVE CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE ARE:
  - (i) THE SIXTH ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE OPERATION OF THE ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES AND A REPORT TO THE CONTRACTING PARTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 8(c) OF THE ARRANGEMENT;
  - (ii) MEASURES TAKEN OR CONTEMPLATED BY THE IMPORTING COUNTRIES PARTICIPANTS IN THE ARRANGEMENT TO FACILITATE ADJUSTMENTS IN THEIR COTTON TEXTILES INDUSTRIES DURING THE PERIOD OF SPECIAL PROTECTION PROVIDED BY THE ARRANGEMENT.
3. I EXPECT THAT UNDER POINT (ii) MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WILL INITIATE DISCUSSIONS TO ENSURE EXAMINATION OF THESE MEASURES AND MAKE PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER STUDIES.
4. WORKING PAPERS PREPARED BY THE SECRETARIAT WHICH WILL SERVE AS A BASIS FOR THE DISCUSSION UNDER POINT (i) ARE BEING CIRCULATED AS COT/W/100 AND ADD.1 AND COT/W/101. NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED UNDER POINT (ii) HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED IN COT/105 AND ADDENDA 1 AND 2.

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