

SUBJECT: MEETING OF SPECIAL GROUP ON TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS

AT THE LAST SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT, HELD IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1969, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE SECRETARIAT SHOULD PREPARE DOCUMENTATION ON OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS RELATING TO GROUNDNUT OIL AND OTHER VEGETABLE OILS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THAT THE SPECIAL GROUP ON TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS SHOULD CONVENE TO TAKE UP THESE PROBLEMS ON A PRIORITY BASIS WITH A VIEW TO ASCERTAINING CERTAIN SPECIFIC POINTS RELATING TO THE CURRENT AND FUTURE WORK IN THIS FIELD. THESE POINTS ARE SET OUT IN COM.TD/65 (PAGE 2, FIRST PARAGRAPH).

A SECRETARIAT PAPER OUTLINING THE SITUATION OF OILSEEDS AND VEGETABLE OILS WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO OILS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IS BEING CIRCULATED AS SGTP/11. ANOTHER PAPER OUTLINING RELEVANT CURRENT ACTIVITIES IN OTHER ORGANS OF GATT AND IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE CIRCULATED AS SGTP/12.

A MEETING OF THE SPECIAL GROUP WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY AT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA, BEGINNING AT 10 A.M.

MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL GROUP, AS WELL AS OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES, ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WISHING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS AT THE MEETING, ARE REQUESTED TO ADVISE ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

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