

GATT/AIR/734

31 JULY 1969

SUBJECT: COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE

1. UNDER PARAGRAPH (d) OF ARTICLE 8 OF THE COTTON TEXTILES ARRANGEMENT, THE COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE SHOULD MEET NOT LATER THAN ONE YEAR BEFORE THE EXPIRY OF THE ARRANGEMENT IN ORDER TO CONSIDER THE FUTURE OF THE ARRANGEMENT. HOWEVER, FROM INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS THAT I, AS CHAIRMAN, HAVE HAD WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF COUNTRIES MEMBERS OF THE COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE, IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT THE COMMITTEE COULD MORE USEFULLY MEET AT A SOMEWHAT LATER DATE THAN IS FORMALLY PROVIDED FOR IN PARAGRAPH (d) OF ARTICLE 8. A LATER MEETING WOULD GIVE GOVERNMENTS MORE TIME TO STUDY THE DOCUMENTATION BEING PREPARED BY THE SECRETARIAT, SOME OF WHICH IS ALREADY BEHIND SCHEDULE BECAUSE OF THE LATE SUBMISSION BY SOME GOVERNMENTS OF INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE SECRETARIAT.
2. ACCORDINGLY, UNLESS I RECEIVE A CONTRARY OPINION FROM ANY MEMBER OF THE COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE BY 20 AUGUST, THE COMMITTEE WILL MEET FROM 8-10 OCTOBER, BEGINNING AT 3 P.M. ON 8 OCTOBER. INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLACE OF THE MEETING AND DETAILS OF THE AGENDA WILL BE DISTRIBUTED LATER.

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AMENDMENTS TO MEETING PROGRAMME C/W/142/REV.1

PROVIDED THE DATES OF 8-10 OCTOBER ARE ACCEPTABLE FOR THE MEETING OF THE COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE, THE FOLLOWING CHANGES WILL BE MADE IN THE PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS SET OUT IN DOCUMENT C/W/142/REV.1:

- 7-10 OCTOBER - COMMITTEE ON BUDGET, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
(INSTEAD OF 13-17 OCTOBER)
- 13-16 OCTOBER - WORKING PARTY ON ROMANIAN ACCESSION
(INSTEAD OF 7-10 OCTOBER)