

GATT/AIR/818

9 SEPTEMBER 1970

SUBJECT: GROUP ON RESIDUAL RESTRICTIONS

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP ON RESIDUAL RESTRICTIONS IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON 22-23 OCTOBER 1970. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 10 A.M. ON 22 OCTOBER AND WILL BE HELD IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA.

AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF THE DISCUSSIONS ON IMPORT RESTRICTIONS AT THE RESUMED SIXTEENTH SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT (COM.TD/78, PARAGRAPHS 10-17) AND OF THE REPORT OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP (L/3391), THE GROUP ON RESIDUAL RESTRICTIONS WILL CARRY OUT AN EXAMINATION OF THE REMAINING FIFTEEN PRIORITY ITEMS (COM.TD/W/118) WITH A VIEW TO EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES FOR REMOVAL OR REDUCTION OF RESTRICTIONS. IT WILL ALSO REVIEW THE POSITION REGARDING THE SIX ITEMS EXAMINED IN DETAIL EARLIER (COM.TD/70) AND OTHER ITEMS IDENTIFIED AS OF INTEREST TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

THE SECRETARIAT WILL BE ISSUING SHORTLY A REVISED VERSION OF COM.TD/W/118 BASED ON COMMENTS AND DATA REQUESTED FROM COUNTRIES CONCERNED AND MATERIAL SUPPLIED TO THE JOINT WORKING GROUP.

IN THE LIGHT OF ITS DISCUSSIONS THE GROUP MAY ALSO WISH TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANY FURTHER LIST OF PRODUCTS NEEDS TO BE TAKEN UP FOR DETAILED EXAMINATION. A LIST OF ITEMS SINGLED OUT IN THE DISCUSSION IN THE JOINT WORKING GROUP AS BEING OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IS INCLUDED IN ANNEX IV OF THE GROUP'S REPORT (L/3391).

MEMBERS OF THE GROUP AND ANY OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES, ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WISHING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY ME BY 19 OCTOBER OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

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