

24 SEPTEMBER 1971

SUBJECT: SPECIAL GROUP ON TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS

A MEETING OF THE SPECIAL GROUP ON TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 18 OCTOBER AT 10 A.M. IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA.

THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS ARE PROPOSED:

1. GENERAL REVIEW OF SITUATION AND DEVELOPMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN RELATION TO COFFEE, COCOA, TEA, VEGETABLE OILSEEDS AND OILS, BANANAS, SPICES AND NATURAL RUBBER. BACKGROUND NOTES SGTP/22 AND CORR.1 AND SGTP/23 AND ADD.1 HAVE BEEN ISSUED AND A NOTE SUMMARIZING RECENT DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE CIRCULATED.
2. POINTS OUTSTANDING IN RELATION TO DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED AND DISCUSSIONS HELD BY THE GROUP:
  - (a) INTERNAL CHARGES AND REVENUE DUTIES. AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE GROUP, DEVELOPING COUNTRIES MADE SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION (SGTP/20, PARAGRAPH 33).
  - (b) IMPORT DUTIES IMPOSED ON NEW AND IMPROVED FORMS OF NATURAL RUBBER (SGTP/20, PARAGRAPH 21).
  - (c) IMPORT RESTRICTIONS, IMPORT DUTIES AND INTERNAL CHARGES ON VEGETABLE OILSEEDS, OILS AND OILCAKE (SGTP/21 AND CORR.1).
3. MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL GROUP, AS WELL AS OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES AND ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WISHING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS AT THE MEETING ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

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