AIRGRAM TÉLÉGRAMME PAR AVION

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SUBJECT: SCHEDULE XX - UNITED STATES CONSULTATIONS UNDER ARTICLE XIX: PARA-AMINOSALICYLIC ACID

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR TRANSMISSION TO THE CONTRACTING PARTIES:

"THE UNITED STATES TARIFF COMMISSION IN A REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT ON 14 JUNE DIVIDED EVENLY ON ITS FINDINGS IN THE ESCAPE CLAUSE CASE COVERING PARAMATINOSALICYLIC ACID, AS TO WHETHER IMPORTS ARE CAUSING SERIOUS INJURY TO THE DOMESTIC INDUSTRY.

"ONE GROUP OF COMMISSIONERS FOUND INJURY FROM INCREASED IMPORTS AND RECOMMENDED AN INCREASE IN THE IMPORT DUTY FROM 346 PER POUND PLUS 25% AD VALOREM TO 5¢ PER POUND PLUS 35% AD VALOREM. THE OTHER GROUP FOUND NO INJURY AND MADE NO RECOMMENDATION REGARD-ING A CHANGE IN THE IMPORT DUTY.

"IMPORTS OF THIS PRODUCT INTO THE UNITED STATES DURING 1955 FROM PRINCIPAL SUPPLYING COUNTRIES WERE AS FOLLOWS:

GERMANY	\$264,000
ITALY	137,000
SWITZERLAND	121,000
FRANCE	77,000
SWEDEN	47,000
BELGIUM	11,000
NETHERLANDS	20,000

"THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION IN THIS CASE IS REQUIRED WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER 14 JUNE, THE DATE ON WHICH THE COMMISSION FORWARDED ITS REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT.

"THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE IS DISCUSSING THIS PROBLEM WITH THL EMBASSIES OF THE FEDERAL PUPUBLIC OF GERMANY ITALY, SWITZERIAND. FRANCE, SWEDEN AND BELGIUE, INFORMING THEM THAT THESE DISCUSSIONS ARE CONSIDERED NOTIFICATION AND INSTITUTION OF CONSULTATIONS

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ACCORDING TO GATT ARTICLE XIX. THE UNITED STATES IS OF COURSE READY TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH ANY OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES WHICH MAY FEEL THAT THEY HAVE AN INTEREST UNDER GATT ARTICLE XIX."

ANY OTHER CONTRACTING PARTY WISHING TO ENTER INTO CONSULTATION ON THE GROUND THAT IT HAS A SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST IN THIS CONCESSION, SHOULD CONTACT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND NOTIFY ME.

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