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FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

Curriculum of Studies for the Period of 16 April to 23 July 1962 (Trade Policy Division)

From 16 April to 23 July 1962 the fellows will be regarded as temporary staff members of the Trade Policy Division.

The programme is divided into two parts:

- A. lectures given by the officers indicated: and
- B. the participation of the trainees in the work of the division, including attendance of meetings held within GATT.

Unless the fellows are notified to the contrary, the lectures will be given in the morning at 10.15 a.m. and will be followed by discussions in the afternoon at 4.15 p.m.

For the time of the participation of the trainees in committees, arrangements will be made for the problems in question to be introduced by the GATT official in charge of the committee or by his assistant. It is to be noted, however, that the date of one of the meetings may have to be changed, in which case it would be replaced by lectures. Such changes would be indicated in time.

The present document comprises a time-table of the lectures to be given and a list of the subjects to be covered. Explanatory notes on abbreviations used to indicate reference material are attached.

English only/anglais seulement.

TIME-TABLE for the period 16 April to 13 July 1962

| <u>Date</u> | Participation in Conferences | <u>Lectures</u> | Officer |
|----------------------|--|---|--|
| 16-19 April | " · · | Introduction to the lectures. Principles and objectives of the General Agreement. Survey of the work of Trade Policy Division | Mr. D.P. Taylor, Deputy Director, Trade Policy Division |
| 24-30 April | **** | Import duties Most-favoured-nation treatment Customs unions and free-trade areas | Mr. F.K. Liebich |
| 1-11 May | Committee III | Introduction and guidance | Mr. G. Leonhardt |
| 14-17 May | | Practical application of customs unions and free-trade areas Tariff negotiations rules and procedures 1960-61 Tariff negotiations | Mr. G. Maggio |
| 18-22 May | | Anti-dumping and countervailing | Mr. F.K. Liebich |
| 10-22 124 | .i te t | duties Valuation for customs purposes Provisions concerning the application of import taxes | |
| | a e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e | State trading Marks of origin Certificates of origin, consular formalities, etc. | * y''* * |
| 23-30 May | Council (in the morning) | In the afternoon: | Mr. J. Etienne, Director, Trade Policy Division |
| 31 May and 1 June | | Expansion of trade in agricultural products Subsidies | Mr. D.P. Taylor Mr. H. van Tuinen |
| 4-8 June | Special group on tropical products | Introduction and guidance | Mr. P.J. Williams |

| * | Date | Participation in Conferences | <u>Lectures</u> | Officer |
|---|---------------|------------------------------|---|---------|
| | 11-29 June | | Structure of GATT provisions regarding quantitative restrictions Balance-of-payments restrictions Restrictions for the development of industries Special exception in Articles XI, XX, etc. and various special problems Expansion of trade of less- developed countries: Committee III Subsidies | |
| | 2-13 July | | Preparation of studies for Trade Policy Division. A special document containing the subjects from which the trainees can choose will be distributed in time | |

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ANNEX A

Subject of lectures to be given by Mr. Taylor

Expansion of trade in agricultural products

(7S,27; 8S,121; 9S,110 - 120; L/1207; L/1461; L/1699; L/1728)

Subsidies

- 1. Article XVI
 - (a) Notifications (II,19; L/880; SR.13/11; L/1160; L/1328)
 - (b) Complaints

United States - oranges
Australia - nitrates (II,188 and 195; 78,68)
United Kingdom - eggs
United States - poultry
France - wheat and wheat flour (78,22 and 46)

- (c) Article XVI
 - Declaration Giving Effect to Article XVI (9S,32)
 - Declaration Extending Standstill Provisions (98,33)
 - Review (9S,188)

Subject of lectures to be given by Mr. Liebich

Import duties

- 1. Explanation of the functioning of duties as an instrument of trade policy, specific, ad valorem and mixed duties including sliding-scale duties
- 2. Tariff quotas (Article XIII:5)
- 3. Efforts for achieving uniform customs nomenclatures (SITC/Brussels)
- 4. Export duties

Most-favoured-nation treatment

- Most-favoured-nation clause (Article I:1)
 - (a) Rulings
 - "Charges of any kind" (II,12) (i)
 - (ii) Rebates of internal taxes (II,12 and Article I (Rev.))
 - (b) Complaints
 - (i) Norwegian sardines (IS, 30 and 53)
 - (ii) Belgian family allowances (IS, 59)
- 2. Preferential systems (Article I:2 and Annexes A-F)
- 3. Preferential margins (Article I:4, Annex G and II:11)
- 4. Frontier traffic (Article XXIV:3)
- 5. Waivers
 - (a) United States trust territory (II, 9 and 173)
 - (b) Italy/Libya (IS,14; 4S, 16 and 99; 7S, 348, 118)
 - (c) Australia/Papua-New Guinea (2S, 18 and 93; 4S, 14 and 82; 5S, 34 and 114; 8S, 28; 9S, 28)
 - (d) United Kingdom/Commonwealth duty-free items (2S, 20 and 96; 3S, 25 and 139)
 - (e) United Kingdom/overseas territories (3S, 21 and 131)
 - (f) ECSC (IS, 17 and 85; 6S, 139; 7S, 122)
 - (g) Saar (6S, 30)

Customs unions and free-trade areas

- Article XXIV 1.
 - (a) Purposes and definitions (paragraphs 4 and 8)
 - (b) Authorization (paragraph 5)
 - (c) Procedures (paragraphs 6, 7 and 9)
 - (d) Special cases (paragraph 10)
- Nicaragua/El Salvador Free-Trade Area (II,30) 2.
- Central American Free-Trade Area (5S, 29) 3.
- 4. South Africa/Southern Rhodesia C.U. (II, 29 and 176; 3S, 47)
- Rhodesia and Nyasaland Federation (3S, 29; 4S, 17 and 72; 5S, 39) 5.
- 6. France/Tunisia C.U.

- European Economic Community (6S, 68; 7S, 69) 7.
- 8. EFTA (L/1151; L/1167; L/1235; 9S, 20 and 70)
- LAFTA (L/1157; L/1177 and Add.1-2; L/1201; 9S, 21 and 87) 9.

Anti-dumping and countervailing duties

- 1. Article VI
 - Definition of dumping (paragraph 1)
 - (b) Levy of anti-dumping duties (paragraph 2)
 - (c) Definition and levy of countervailing duties (paragraph 3)
 - Rules for the levy of duties (paragraphs 4-6) (d)
 - Application of duties in the interest of third countries (paragraph 6)
- Reports of a Group of Experts (special GATT publication, 1961)
- Complaint: Swedish duties on nylons (3S, 81) 3.
- Study of national legislation (GATT publication 1958-2) 4.

Valuation for customs purposes

- Article VII
 - (a) "Actual value" (paragraph 2)(b) Rules (paragraphs 3-5)
- 2. Bound items (Article II:3)
- Study of national legislation (1S, 102; 2S, 52 and 3S, 103-125) 3.
- 4. The Brussels "Valuation Convention"

Provisions concerning the application of import taxes

- (a) Interdiction to grant protection by other charges than duties (Article VIII:la)
- (b) Permission to levy fees commensurate to the costs of services rendered (Article VIII:la)
- (c) Rules concerning the levy of import charges on imported products (Article III:1-6) . Alaber . A

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State trading

- 1. Article XVII
 - (a) Non-discrimination (paragraph 1)
 - (b) Governmental purchases (paragraph 2)
 - (c) Notifications (paragraph 4(a); 6S, 23)
- 2. Notification of existing State-trading enterprises (L/1014 and Add.)
- 3. Monopolies for bound items (Article II:4 and II:4 (Rev.))
- 4. Report by Group of Experts (L/1146)

Efforts at removing barriers to trade

- 1. Article VIII (paragraphs lb, lc, 2, 3 and 4)
- 2. Decision by the CONTRACTING PARTIES to GATT
 - (a) Recommendation on certificates of origin (document Spec(59)52)
 - (b) Standard practices for documentary requirements
 - (c) Recommendation on the abolition of consular formalities (L/1743)
- 3. Actions of GATT which led to Agreements independent of GATT
 - (a) Samples Convention (GATT publication November 1952)
 Solution of difficulties in the interpretation of provisions of this Convention (L/455 of 21 November 1955)
 - (b) Agreement on the importation of educational, scientific and cultural material
- 4. Conventions on temporary importation (9S, 201-229)

Marks of origin

- 1. Article IX
- 2. Recommendation on marks of origin (Special GATT publication)
- 3. Notification of existing provisions (L/478 and Addenda)

Subjects of lectures to be given by G. Maggio

Schedules

- 1. Negotiation of concessions (I,104-119; Article XXIX bis.; 3S, 218; 4S,74; TN.56/1 and 2)
- 2. Schedules, an integral part of Part I of the Agreement (Article II:7) German starch duties (3S,77)

- 3. Tariff negotiations to be held in 1960-1961 Committee I on Expansion of Trade (8S,101 and 103; TN.60/1 and 3)
- 4. (a) "Treatment no less favourable" (Article II:1(a))
 Greek coefficients (18,23 and 51)
 - (b) No "duties in excess" (Article II:1(b))
 - (c) No "other duties or charges in excess" (Article II:1(b) and (c))

- (i) French compensation tax (3S,26; 5S,27)
- (ii) Chilean automobile tax
- (iii) Amendment of Article II:1(b) and (c)
- (iv) Peruvian import charges (78,37; 88,56)
- (v) Chilean import charges (85,29)

Modification of concessions

- 1. Withdrawals (Article XXVII)
- 2. Renegotiations (Article XXVIII)
 - (a) Declaration on continued application (98,29)
 - (b) "Sympathetic consideration" (2S,62, paragraphs 3-5)
 - (c) Italian cheese duties
 - (d) Greek gramophone duties
 - (e) Brazil, new customs tariff (5S,122; 9S,36)
- 3. Renegotiation for economic development (Article XVIII:A)
- 4. Emergency action (Article XIX)

Action by the <u>United States</u>

- (i) Fur felt hats (special report, 1951)
- (ii) Hatters' fur (L/851 and Add.1)
- (iii) Figs (1S,25; 2S,26)
- (iv) Bicycles (L/433)
- (v) Groundfish fillets (L/577 and Add.1)
- (vi) Linen towelling (L/573 and Add.1)
- (vii) Spring clothes pins (L/757 and Add.1; L/758)
- (viii) Safety pins (L/624 and Add.1 and 2)
- (ix) Clinical thermometers (L/803 and Add.1 and 2)
- (x) Stainless steel table flatware (L/1076 and Add.1)

Action by Greece - Electric refrigerators (L/541)

Action by Austria - Procelain (L/863 and Add.1)

Action by Canada - Strawberries (L/642)

5. Rectification and Modification of Schedules (8S,25; L/1169)

Subjects of lectures to be given by C. Shih

Structure of GATT provisions regarding quantitative restrictions

(a) Provisions of Article XI:1; nature and purpose

(b) Exceptions to the general rule; special exceptions relating to agricultural and fisheries products; balance-of-payments restrictions; economic development; other exceptions; "waivers"

References: 3S,189-191

Balance-of-payments restrictions

- (a) Justification and criteria for the application of restrictions (Article XII:1 and 2; Article XVIII:8 and 9)
- (b) Other qualifications and conditions (Article XII:3; Article XVIII:10 and 11)
- (c) Consultations on restrictions (Article XII:4 and 5; Article XVIII:12)
- (d) The special provision for "under-developed" countries (relationship between Articles XVIII:B and XII)
- (e) Evolution of balance-of-payments restrictions in recent years

References: General: 3S,170-179; 1958 Review of Restrictions MGT(59)76

Re (c): 7S,90-98; 8S,73-76; 9S,68-70; L/1394

Re (e): GATT annual reports on international trade,

successive issues, section on quantitative

restrictions

Discriminatory application of restrictions

- (a) The rule of non-discrimination (Article XIII:1)
- (b) Methods and criteria for applying non-discrimination (Article XIII:2-5)
- (c) Permitted deviation from the rule (Article XIV:1-5)
- (d) Reports and consultations under Article XIV:1(g)
- (e) Revision of Article XIV and the entry into force
- (f) The restoration of convertibility in 1959 and its implications under the GATT provisions
- (g) The question of bilateral agreements

References: Re (d): See recent annual reports on discriminatory restrictions in the successive Supplements in BISD: 98,63-68

Re (e): 3S,176-177; L/1421 and Add.1

Exchange matters and the International Monetary Fund

1. Quantitative restrictions and exchange restrictions, multiple exchange rates, etc.

- 2. Co-operation with the IMF:
 - (a) The nature and purposes of the IMF
 - (b) The provisions concerning co-operation (Article XV:1 and 2)
 - (c) Arrangements and past action relating to the IMF
 - (d) Non-frustration clause and related provisions (Article XV:4, 5 and 9)
- 3. Special exchange agreements (Article XV:6-8) purpose and essential provisions; waivers granted to Czechoslovakia and New Zealand
- 4. Decision of the IMF concerning bilateralism, non-discrimination and termination of transitional period arrangements; their implications for contracting parties to GATT

References: Re 2(c): I,120-123; 3S,195-205

Re 3: II,115-123

Re 4: 8S,72-73; texts of other decisions will be supplied

Restrictions on imports for development of industries

- 1. Revision of Article XVIII in 1955, and structure of the new Article XVIII
- 2. Provisions concerning the development of particular industries by under-developed countries (Section C of Article XVIII)
- 3. For other countries in the process of development (Section D)
- 4. Releases granted in the past and annual review

References: General: 3S,179-189

Re 4: 6S,112-131 and 14; 7S,25-27, 71-75, 75-83, 85-88; 8S,21-22, 90-97, 97-98; 9S,95-101

Special exceptions in Article XI and special problems

- (a) Provisions of Article XI:2
- (b) The "hard core" waiver; residual restrictions; consultations on restrictions under Article XXII; discussions at the seventeenth session
- (c) Waivers:
 - (i) United States Agricultural Adjustment Act
 - (ii) Luxemburg agricultural products
 - (iii) Belgian restrictions
 - (iv) German import restrictions
- (d) Quantitative restrictions aspect of the problem of "Market Disruption"

References: Re (a): 3S,189-191 38,38-41, 191-195; W.17/44; 98,35 Re (b): 3S, 32-38, 141-146; 4S, 96-99; 5S, 136-142; Re (c)(i): 6S,152-157; 7S,124-128; 8S,173-177; 9S,259 48,27-29, 110-113; 98,255 48,22-26, 102-110; 58,115-119; 68,135-139; Re (c)(ii): Re (c)(iii): 7S,118-122; 9S,243 68,55-68; 78,99-107; 88,31-50, 160-163; Re (c)(iv): L/1380 Re (d): 9S,106

Programme for expansion of trade of less-developed countries

Committee III (7S,27; 8S,132, 135 and 23; 9S,120-144, and 144-169; L/1557; L/1699; L/1732)

Problems of market disruption (MGT(60)32 and 37; L/1164 and Add.1 and 2; 9S,106)

ANNEX B

The printed volumes of GATT documents, entitled <u>Basic Instruments and Selected Documents</u> (BISD), are referred to in abbreviated form as follows:

| "I" | indicates | Volume I (the old text of the Agreement, procedures, etc.); |
|------------|-----------|--|
| "I(Rev.1)" | | Volume I (Revised) (the revised text of the Agreement and the Agreement on the Organization for Trade Co-operation); |
| "II" | " | Volume II (decisions, reports, etc. up to the end of 1951); |
| "III" | 11 | Volume III (the text of the Agreement as it is applied at present); |
| "IS" | tr | First Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1952); |
| "25" | TT | Second Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1953); |
| "3S" | ** | Third Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. from 1954 to March 1955); |
| "4s" | n . | Fourth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. from April - December 1955); |
| "58" | *** | Fifth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1956); |
| "6s" | TT. | Sixth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1957); |
| "78" | tt | Seventh Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of the thirteenth session, intersessional procedure 1958); |
| "8s" | п | Eighth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of the fourteenth and fifteenth sessions, 1959); |
| "9S" | n | Ninth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of the sixteenth and seventeenth sessions, 1960). |

The numerals following the abbreviations indicate the page numbers in the volumes referred to.

ANNEX C

Symbols of Important GATT Documents

| Series and Classification | Subject Matter |
|---------------------------------|--|
| L/- Restricted ¹ | General GATT documents |
| SR.19*/- Restricted | Summary records of plenary meetings held during a session of the CPs |
| W.19*/- Restricted | Working papers, e.g. draft reports, proposals prepared by Working Groups or Panels |
| OD/- | Order of the day for each day of a session |
| Restricted | a |
| C/- Restricted | Council documents |
| C/M/- Restricted | Minutes of Council meetings |
| C/W/- Restricted | Council working papers |
| COM.II COM.III Restricted | Papers prepared by the Committee on Expansion of International Trade |
| COM.II/W | Committee working papers |
| BOP/- Restricted | Papers prepared by the Committee on balance- of-payments restrictions |
| BOP/W. Restricted | Working papers of the Committee on BOP's |

^{*}The number of the session.

Restricted documents are for governmental use. Most of them are, however, derestricted about one year after the day of their release. For details, please consult the document officer.

Series and Classification

Subject Matter

TN.60/Restricted

Papers prepared by the tariff negotiations

conference

TN.60/SR. Restricted Records of meetings of the tariff negotiations

conference

TN.60/W/-Restricted

Working papers of the tariff negotiations

conference

Press Release GATT Communiqués to the press prepared by the

Information Officer

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Papers of interest to a limited number of

persons

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Usually Restricted

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^{*}Year of document.