1. At its meeting of 20 December 1988 the Council agreed to establish a Panel to examine, under Article XXIII:2, the complaint by the United States (L/6445). The Council also agreed on the following terms of reference for the Panel (C/M/229):

"To examine, in the light of the relevant GATT provisions, the matter referred to the CONTRACTING PARTIES by the United States in document L/6445 and to make such findings as will assist the CONTRACTING PARTIES in making the recommendations or in giving the rulings provided for in Article XXIII:2."

2. The Council Chairman was authorized, in consultation with the parties concerned, to designate the Panel's chairman and members. Agreement has been reached on the following composition of the Panel:

Chairman: Mr. L. Anell

Members: Mr. H. Bartlett
Mrs. C. Guarda