Consultative Group of Eighteen  
Twenty-first Meeting  
5-6 May 1983

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. It is suggested that at its twenty-first meeting the Consultative Group of Eighteen address itself to the following:

1. Review of Developments in Trade Relations and Trade Policy since the GATT Ministerial Meeting

2. The Relationship between Trade Policy and the International Financial System

3. Other Business

Item 1 - Review of Developments in Trade Relations and Trade Policy since the GATT Ministerial Meeting

2. The Chairman's intention is that major developments since the Ministerial Meeting, and the interconnections between them, should be discussed under this heading. In an introductory statement he will draw special attention to the commitments contained in paragraph 7(i) of the Ministerial Declaration; trade measures taken since November and their bearing on the continuing work on the subject of safeguard measures and on the trade environment in general; and problems arising in the settlement of disputes. A copy of the GATT secretariat's First Assessment on International Trade in 1982 and Current Prospects (GATT/1333) has been circulated to the Group as a background document.

Item 2 - The Relationship between Trade Policy and the International Financial System

3. The Group will be invited to consider this subject on the basis of a note by the secretariat on the interconnections between trade policy, the debt problems of a number of developing countries and the functioning of the international financial system, and on developments in cooperation between the secretariats of the GATT and the International Monetary Fund (CG.18/W/74).

Item 3 - Other Business