WORK ON TRADE LIBERALIZATION: TROPICAL PRODUCTS

Notification by Sri Lanka

The following communication dated 2 March 1981 has been received from the delegation of Sri Lanka.

As you would recall, at the forty-second session of the Committee on Trade and Development, the delegation of Sri Lanka stated that it would submit a specific list of export products which were of interest to Sri Lanka and which it believes did not receive sufficient attention in the Tokyo Round.¹

The list is as follows:

0603 - Cut flowers
0902 - Tea for retail sale
0906 - Cinnamon, unground and ground
0907 - Cloves, unground and ground
0908 - Nutmeg, mace and cardamoms
1507 - Coconut oil
2007 - Passion fruit juice
3301 - Essential oils
5707 - Coir yarn
5802 - Coir mats and matting.

As you would know, most of these items figure in the indicative list prepared by the secretariat.² It might be added that there are other items of which Sri Lanka are not very large exporters but which are of interest to us such as prawns and shrimps; cocoa beans and products of cocoa; canned tropical fruit; unmanufactured tobacco, etc.

¹Cf. L/5074, paragraph 27
²Cf. Annex to COM.TD/W/319