INFORMATION FOR DELEGATIONS

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N.B. ATTENTION IS DRAWN PARTICULARLY TO ITEM IV OF THIS DOCUMENT WHEREIN GOVERNMENTS ARE ASKED TO SUPPLY AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AND THE DATE AND TIME OF THEIR ARRIVAL AT MONTEVIDEO. PROMPT ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER WILL ASSIST BOTH THE URUGUAYAN AUTHORITIES AND THE SECRETARIAT.
I. Visas

The Uruguayan Government has already informed its representatives abroad of the meeting of the Committee on Trade and Development to be held in Punta del Este from 16 to 20 January 1967. Therefore, participants requiring visas should not have any difficulty in obtaining them.

The secretariat has been informed that with regard to countries with which the Uruguayan Government has no diplomatic relations, the procedure to be followed is to request a visa from the nearest Uruguayan embassy, legation or consulate. An indication should be given that the visa is required in order to attend the Punta del Este meeting of the Committee on Trade and Development of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

According to information given to the secretariat, participants from the following countries do not require visas and may enter the country on valid passports:

- Austria
- Germany (Fed. Rep. of)
- Norway
- Belgium
- Greece
- Sweden
- Canada
- Israel
- Spain
- Denmark
- Italy
- Switzerland
- Finland
- Luxemburg
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- France
- Netherlands
- United States
- Finland
- Luxemburg
- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- France
- Netherlands
- United States

Additional information and advice on special cases can be obtained from the Uruguayan embassies, legations or consulates. The Consul General in Geneva, Dr. Pablo Bosch, 68 rue Rothschild, telephone 31 50 13, will provide information on this and related matters.

II. Vaccination certificates

In accordance with regulations of the Ministry of Public Health of Uruguay, an international smallpox vaccination certificate is required in every case.

Further, certificates in respect of yellow fever and cholera are required for persons coming from African and Asian countries where these diseases are endemic or where epidemic conditions exist.

III. Hotel accommodation

Delegations are requested to make their own hotel reservations and to make them at least a month in advance of the meeting in view of the fact that January is the height of the tourist season in Punta del Este. The Uruguayan Government will be sending a list of hotels, their prices and location to the secretariat. This list will be circulated in due course. Hotel reservation forms will be distributed to all delegations as soon as they are received from Uruguay.
IV. Travel arrangements

The Uruguayan Government has arranged for visitors arriving at Carrasco Airport (Montevideo) to be met and to travel by special coaches provided by the Uruguayan Government to Punta del Este. An Information Service will be available at the airport to help visitors with any difficulties that may arise. Governments are requested to inform:

Mr. Daniel M. Soto
Minister Counsellor
Ministry of External Relations
Victoria Plaza Hotel Esc. 915
Montevideo

of the names of their delegates and the date and time of their arrival at Montevideo. This information should be sent direct to Mr. Soto as soon as possible with a copy to GATT secretariat, Geneva.

V. Climate

January is in the summer season in Punta del Este. The temperature fluctuates between 22 (71°F) and 27 (80°F) degrees on an average, and can rise above 30 (86°F) degrees. It is sometimes windy, but rainfall is sparse. The evenings are fresh.

VI. Maps of Punta del Este and Montevideo

Printed maps will be distributed to members of the Committee and observers in due course.

VII. Conference site

The meeting of the Committee on Trade and Development will be held at the Cantergrin Country Club in Punta del Este.

VIII. Schedule of meetings

The opening meeting will take place on Monday 16 January 1967 at 3 p.m. Apart from the opening meeting, meeting hours of the Committee will normally be:

10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The programme of meetings will be posted on the notice boards at the entrance doors of the conference room and at the entrance of the building.
IX. Registration, admission cards and badges

Upon arrival at the conference building, delegates should go to the conference office for registration. For the maintenance of security in the conference area, the secretariat will issue an admission card and badge to each accredited representative. The badges should be worn so as to be visible to the conference personnel. The cards and badges will be issued at the conference office.

Since all GATT meetings are normally private delegates and observers will be required to show admission cards upon entry into the conference room.

Representatives are requested to complete, upon receipt, the white information cards which they will find attached to their admission cards and return them to the conference office. These cards are necessary to complete the list of delegates and to facilitate the contacting of representatives in the course of the meeting. It is emphasized, however, that in accordance with GATT/AIR/578 governments and organizations attending the meeting should provide the Director-General with a full list of their representatives by 15 December. (See also paragraph IV above.)

X. Documents distribution

Documents will be distributed to delegations in the conference building at Punta del Este. After 11 January no Committee on Trade and Development documents will be dispatched from Geneva. Thereafter, Committee on Trade and Development documents will be issued in Punta del Este. General distribution will follow from Geneva shortly after the end of the meeting.

XI. Background documentation

Since the number of copies of documents available in Punta del Este must necessarily be kept to a minimum, all representatives are urged to provide themselves with the relevant documentation received prior to their departure (see annotated agenda COM.TD/W/32). They should also take with them background documents and publications they expect to require at the meeting; only reference copies of relevant documents and publications will be available for consultation in Punta del Este.

XII. Prepared speeches

Delegates wishing to have the texts of prepared speeches distributed are requested to make the necessary number of copies available to the secretariat in Punta del Este for distribution. It will not be possible to undertake the translation, and reproduction of these texts.