B. Negotiations between two or more contracting parties

**Alternative 1**

1. Contracting parties wishing to enter into negotiations would notify the Secretariat which would pass on the information to all other contracting parties by cable. It would be understood that on receipt of such a communication, each contracting party would be expected to advise within 21 days whether it wished to receive copies of the lists of requests for tariff concessions.

2. As soon as possible after submission of the notification to the Secretariat, the participating governments would advise the place where the negotiations were to be held, the date fixed for the exchange of requests lists and the date for the exchange of offers and the opening of negotiations.

3. Sufficient copies of the request lists would be sent to the Secretariat for distribution to the contracting parties which had expressed a desire to receive them. A contracting party which considered that it had a substantial interest in an item in one of the lists and wished to participate in the negotiations would be required to advise the Secretariat within 30 days.

**Alternative 2**

1. Contracting parties wishing to enter into negotiations would notify the Secretariat which would pass on the information to all other contracting parties by cable.

2. As soon as possible after submission of the notification to the Secretariat, the participating governments would advise the place where the negotiations were to be held, the date fixed for the exchange of requests lists and the date for the exchange of offers and the opening of negotiations.

3. Fifty copies of the request lists would be sent to the Secretariat for distribution to the other contracting parties. A contracting party which considered that it had a substantial interest in an item in one of the lists and wished to participate in the negotiations would be required to advise the Secretariat within 30 days.