In the light of the communication from the representative of Bangladesh circulated in CPC/66, the following item should be included in the agenda for the meeting as item 1.

1. Extension of the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh

Paragraph 3 of the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh provides that the Protocol shall be valid for a period of three years from the date of its entry into force. As indicated in paragraph 3 of CPC/38, the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh entered into force on 29 March 1977. In the light of the request of the Government of Bangladesh for an extension of the duration of its Protocol of Accession, on 18 March 1980 the Committee of Participating Countries extended its duration until 28 March 1983 (CPC/56). Having regard to the request for a further extension submitted by the representative of Bangladesh, a draft decision extending the duration of the Protocol of Accession of Bangladesh until 28 March 1986 has been circulated in CPC/66, for consideration by the Committee.