The following letter has been received by the Chairman of the Contracting Parties from the Peruvian Delegation:

In the four volumes of the "General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade", published by the United Nations, containing the schedules of tariff concessions granted by the Contracting Parties of the GATT, the new rates of duty applied by the Contracting Parties appear in the last column of Part I and Part II schedules. No reference is made, however, in those volumes to the rates of duty which were in force on each of the items of those schedules before the Geneva negotiations.

Any Non-Contracting Party, as a potential Member of the GATT, is interested to know what the new rates really mean: a binding of the previous rate, a reduction on the previous rate, and in this last case, which is the amount of the reduction.

The Peruvian Delegation would appreciate any information that could be obtained from the Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the GATT on the above referred to matter. It respectfully suggests the United Nations publishing a new book containing the requested data.