NEW REPORT HIGHLIGHTS SCOPE OF GATT'S WORK

"It would be wrong to believe that, while the debate about the initiatives needed to support and strengthen the trading system has continued, the GATT has been less active in day-to-day trade policy issues. In fact, the scope and depth of such work has seldom been greater and cover an impressively large area of international co-operation in the field of trade."

So states the introduction to a report, 'GATT Activities 1984', published today. The report examines the work of GATT during 1984 and the early part of 1985. It looks at developments related to the 1982 Ministerial Work Programme - including discussion of a new multilateral trade round; at the work of the bodies overseeing the various Tokyo Round agreements and at particular developments in international trade policies. It covers the many trade disputes which are considered in the GATT; issues specifically related to developing countries; regional trading arrangements; and the operation of the 'Multifibre Arrangement' covering trade in textiles.

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1 'GATT Activities in 1984' is available in English, French and Spanish editions from: GATT Secretariat, Centre William Rappard, 154 rue de Lausanne, 1211 Geneva 21, and through booksellers; in the United Kingdom, orders should be placed with HMSO, P.O. Box 276, London SW8 5DT, and in the United States with UNIPUB, P.O. Box 1222, Ann Arbor, MI 48106. Price Sw F 12.-.