GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

Nineteenth Session of the Contracting Parties

OPENING OF MINISTERIAL MEETING

on 27 November 1961

The meeting of Ministers opened in the Palais des Nations at 11 a.m. on 27 November 1961.

The address of welcome to Ministers by Mr. Barbosa da Silva, Chairman of the Contracting Parties is reproduced in press release GATT/625.

On the proposal of the Minister of Economy of Argentina, Dr. Roberto Alemann, supported by the Ministers representing the United States, Chile and India, Mr. Barbosa da Silva was elected Chairman of the Ministerial Meeting, unanimously.

The Ministers adopted an agenda comprising three points:
1. Reduction of Tariff Barriers to Trade. 2. Obstacles to the Trade of Less-developed Countries. 3. Trade in Agricultural Products.

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