NEW GATT TRAINING COURSE OPENS IN GENEVA

On 8 February 1965, a group of officials from less-developed countries started a course of advanced training in international trade and commercial policy at the GATT headquarters in Geneva. This is the nineteenth of such courses held regularly since 1956.

The GATT course, of five-and-a-half months' duration, will cover such main fields as the formulation and implementation of trade policy, the operation of GATT, tariff negotiations, agricultural trade problems, trade and economic development, trends and patterns of international trade, as well as special problems relating to specific products.

Attending the course this time are officials from Cameroon, India, Jordan, Kenya, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Tanzania, Turkey and Yugoslavia. Three Governments, namely Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic and Malta, have sent observers to the course.

The purpose of the GATT training programme is to help developing countries to train and form technical and policy-making government officials. Participants are chosen among candidates with suitable academic qualifications and practical experience who have or will have responsibilities in the framing and administration of commercial, tariff or development policies of their governments. So far about 130 officials from over fifty countries have completed this training. With the benefit of the GATT training course they are now contributing, in one way or another, to the efforts of their countries to expand their trade and develop their economies.
The following officials are participating in the current GATT training course:

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