APPOINTMENT OF MR. GARDNER PATTERSON AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR TRADE POLICY AND INTELLIGENCE

The Director-General to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, Mr. Eric Wyndham White, announces the appointment of Mr. Gardner Patterson (United States) as Assistant Director-General for Trade Policy and Intelligence. He will take up this appointment early in 1966.

Mr. Patterson will be responsible for co-ordinating and supervising the work of the Department of Trade Policy and Intelligence, which has among its primary functions the general administration of tariff reduction schemes and the operation of those Articles of the Agreement which concern tariffs and quantitative restrictions, and other barriers to trade. The administration of the Kennedy Round of trade negotiations falls within this sector. The Department has responsibilities in the field of economic analysis and research in the trade and development sector and is responsible for the statistical services of the GATT, and the preparation of the Annual Report on International Trade.

Mr. Patterson has had a career of distinction in the service of the United States Government, and in the academic sphere. Since 1949 he has been on the faculty of Princeton University where he is Professor of Economics. He was also Director of the International Finance Section of the University from 1949-1958, and Director of Princeton's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs from 1958-1964. In 1965 he served as Acting Chairman of the Department of Economics. Prior to and interspersed with this academic work, among other posts, he served as the United States member of the Greek Currency Commission; United States Treasury Representative to various nations in North Africa, the Middle East, and the Balkans; and as Economic Adviser to United States diplomatic and aid missions in Israel, Turkey and Tunisia.

Mr. Gardner Patterson has contributed articles on a variety of subjects - notably international trade, aid, international finance - to numerous journals and periodicals. He is married and has one daughter.