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A major objective of the Kennedy Round of trade negotiations is to contribute towards solving, in a substantial way, the trade problems of the developing countries. This was clearly stated by Ministers in 1963 and was reaffirmed in the Ministerial meeting in 1964.

In March 1965 special procedures were adopted for the participation of the developing countries and arrangements were made for these countries to table the offers they would make as a contribution to the objectives of the negotiations.

A number of countries which have decided to participate under those procedures have indicated that they are tabling their offers during the period from 18 to 25 October 1965. These countries are Brazil, Chile, India, Indonesia, Israel, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Nigeria, Peru, Rhodesia, United Arab Republic and Yugoslavia.

A number of important developing countries with a predominant interest in exports of agricultural products have been given the possibility of a delay in submitting their offers.

1Yugoslavia, like some other countries, is negotiating for full membership of GATT and her offer covers this aspect.