GATT COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT
TO MEET AT PUNTA DEL ESTE, URUGUAY, 16-20 JANUARY 1967

A meeting of the Committee on Trade and Development of GATT will be held at Punta del Este, Uruguay, from 16 to 20 January 1967. The meeting will take place at the Cantegril Country Club in Punta del Este. The opening session will start at 3 p.m. on Monday, 16 January.

The Committee on Trade and Development was set up by the Contracting Parties to GATT in February 1965 to supervise the implementation of the newly adopted Part IV of the GATT, relating to the trade problems of the developing countries.

At the Punta del Este meeting the Committee will review the progress of the work of GATT in the field of trade and development. Particular reference will be made to the problems of concern to less-developed countries in the Kennedy Round of Trade Negotiations, now entering their final phase, at Geneva. It is expected that there will be an exchange of views on the continuing work of GATT on behalf of the less-developed countries, after the Kennedy Round is over. Particular attention will be given to the contribution that GATT can make towards export trade promotion for the developing countries.

It is expected that nearly all Latin American and Caribbean countries will be represented at the Punta del Este meeting. Of these, the following are full members of the GATT: Brazil, Chile, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica, Nicaragua, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay. Argentina, which is a provisional member and is negotiating for full membership, will also participate.

The opening session will be presided over by H.E. the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uruguay, Mr. Luis Vidal Zaglio. The Chairman of the meeting will be H.E. Ambassador Carlos Valenzuela, who is permanent representative of Chile to GATT.
Among the persons invited to attend the meeting are Dr. Raoul Prebisch, Secretary-General, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Dr. José A. Mayobre, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America, and Dr. Albert Sola, Executive Secretary of the Latin American Free Trade Association.

The following are also expected to attend the meeting:

Ambassador Julio A. Lacarte of Uruguay, a former Chairman of the GATT
Mr. Eric Wyndham White, Director-General, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
Mr. Finn Gundelach, Deputy Director-General, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
Mr. M.G. Mathur, Assistant Director-General, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade