SUBJECT: COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES - TRADE POLICY REVIEW MECHANISM: REVIEWS OF TURKEY, SENEGAL, AUSTRALIA, PERU, ICELAND, UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL

1. PURSUANT TO THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE CONTRACTING PARTIES CONCERNING THE TRADE POLICY REVIEW MECHANISM (BISD 36S/403), SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE HELD ON 20-21 JANUARY, 31 JANUARY-1 FEBRUARY, 3-4 FEBRUARY, 7-8 FEBRUARY, 9-10 FEBRUARY, 16-17 FEBRUARY AND 21-22 MARCH IN THE CENTRE WILLIAM RAPPARD, TO CONDUCT THE TRADE POLICY REVIEWS OF TURKEY, SENEGAL, AUSTRALIA (SECOND REVIEW), PERU, ICELAND, THE UNITED STATES (THIRD REVIEW) AND ISRAEL, RESPECTIVELY.

2. IT IS RECALLED THAT THE REVIEWS OF ISRAEL, PERU, SENEGAL, TURKEY AND THE UNITED STATES WERE SUBJECT TO POSTPONEMENT DUE TO THE DEMANDS OF THE URUGUAY ROUND IN THE AUTUMN OF 1993. THESE POSTPONEMENTS WERE ANNOUNCED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 22 SEPTEMBER 1993 (C/M/266).

3. THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS IS AS FOLLOWS:


MONDAY, 31 JANUARY, 9.30 A.M. AND TUESDAY, 1 FEBRUARY, 9.30 A.M.: SENEGAL.

THURSDAY, 3 FEBRUARY, 9.30 A.M. AND FRIDAY, 4 FEBRUARY, 9.30 A.M.: AUSTRALIA.

MONDAY, 7 FEBRUARY, 9.30 A.M. AND TUESDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 9.30 A.M.: PERU.

WEDNESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY, 9.30 A.M. AND THURSDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 9.30 A.M.: ICELAND.


MONDAY, 21 MARCH, 9.30 A.M. AND TUESDAY, 22 MARCH, 9.30 A.M.: ISRAEL.

4. ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION AVAILABLE FOR THESE MEETINGS:

C/RM/24 ARRANGEMENTS FOR REVIEW MEETINGS
C/RM/G/42 REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY
C/RM/S/42 TURKEY: REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT
C/RM/G/41 REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF SENEGAL
C/RM/S/41 SENEGAL: REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT
C/RM/G/43 & ADD.1 REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA
C/RM/S/43 AUSTRALIA: REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT
C/RM/G/46 REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PERU
C/RM/S/46 PERU: REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT
C/RM/G/44 REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ICELAND
C/RM/S/44 ICELAND: REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT
C/RM/G/45 & ADD.1 REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES
C/RM/S/45 UNITED STATES: REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT
C/RM/G/47 REPORT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL
C/RM/S/47 ISRAEL: REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT.
5. DELEGATIONS ARE REMINDED THAT:

"TO FACILITATE THE DISCUSSIONS, THE CONTRACTING PARTIES WISHING TO DO SO COULD GIVE ADVANCE NOTICE IN WRITING OF THE POINTS THEY WISH TO BE RAISED AT THE REVIEW SESSION SO THAT THE CONTRACTING PARTY UNDER REVIEW IS IN A BETTER POSITION TO PREPARE ITS REPLIES. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS WOULD NOT LIMIT IN ANY WAY THE SCOPE OF THE DISCUSSIONS AT THE COUNCIL SESSION." (C/W/607).

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF ANY SUCH POINTS COULD REACH THE SECRETARIAT NO LATER THAN ONE WEEK BEFORE THE RELEVANT COUNCIL MEETINGS, I.E. BY THURSDAY, 13 JANUARY FOR TURKEY; BY MONDAY, 24 JANUARY FOR SENEGAL; BY THURSDAY, 27 JANUARY FOR AUSTRALIA; BY MONDAY, 31 JANUARY FOR PERU; BY WEDNESDAY, 2 FEBRUARY FOR ICELAND; BY WEDNESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY FOR THE UNITED STATES; AND BY MONDAY, 14 MARCH FOR ISRAEL.

6. MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES, OTHER GOVERNMENTS WITH OBSERVER STATUS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WITH OBSERVER STATUS ARE INVITED TO INFORM ME OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES BY THE DATES MENTIONED ABOVE.

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