SUBJECT: MEETING OF THE GROUP ON EXPANSION OF TRADE AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The Chairman of the Group on Expansion of Trade Among Developing Countries has advised that, in the light of informal discussions among developing countries in GATT, the following points noted in paragraph 10 of the Group's interim report of last February (COM.TD/D/3) have been put forward for further discussion at an early meeting of the group:

(i) Guidelines or rules to ensure that foreign exchange deriving from aid granted to developing countries by developed countries or by international institutions may be used for payments for imports from developing countries;

(ii) The setting up of a fund within the framework of the appropriate international financial institution for the provision of loans needed to finance trade between developing countries;

(iii) Measures to prevent the operation of licensing and similar arrangements, entered into by firms in developing countries with firms in developed countries, adversely affecting trade among developing countries; and

(iv) Measures to solve any transport, communication and marketing difficulties limiting the expansion of trade among developing countries.

Accordingly the Group is convened for 7 and 8 December 1966. The meeting will open at 3 P.M. on 7 December at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Members of the Group, and other Contracting Parties and associated Governments wishing to be represented by observers, are requested to inform me as soon as possible of the names of their representatives.

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