INTERSESSIONAL COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES

Note by the Executive Secretary

Addendum

At its meeting on 25-26 February 1952 the Ad Hoc Committee on Agenda and Intersessional Business established, in accordance with the intersessional procedures adopted at the Sixth Session (GATT/CP.6/42), two working parties with membership and terms of reference as set out below. In accordance with these procedures, other contracting parties which claim a substantial interest and which advise the Executive Secretary that they wish to be represented, will be included as members. The considerations and discussions leading to their establishment are recorded in GATT/IC/SR.3.

With the appointment of these two working parties there are now 6 intersessional bodies in existence. The membership, etc. of the other 4 are given in GATT/CP/129.

5. INTERSESSIONAL WORKING PARTY ON U.S. RESTRICTIONS ON DAIRY PRODUCTS

Membership:

Chairman: Mr. Aziz Ahmad (Pakistan)

Brazil Brazil France France New Zealand New Zealand
Canada Canada Italy Italy United Kingdom United Kingdom
Denmark Denmark Netherlands Netherlands United States United States

Terms of Reference:

On the basis of the Resolution of October 26, 1951 to receive any notification which may be made by the contracting parties concerned regarding the suspension of the application to the United States of obligations or concessions under the General Agreement, and to submit recommendations thereon to the Contracting Parties.
Note: The Working Party is to be convened by the Executive Secretary upon the request of one of the complaining contracting parties at an early date in July if at that time the restrictions in question continue in force. Discussions at the Sixth Session on this subject are recorded in GATT/CP.6/SR.10 and 27, resulting in the adoption of the Resolution of October 26, 1951 (GATT/CP/130, page 14).

6. INTERSESSIONAL WORKING PARTY ON BELGIAN RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORTS FROM THE DOLLAR AREA

Membership:

Chairman: Mr. J.F. Nimmo (Australia)

Belgium Germany Sweden
Canada India United Kingdom
Cuba Netherlands United States
France South Africa

Terms of Reference:

(a) to consider, in the light of the provisions of Article XXIII, the contention of the United States that the imposition by Belgium of discriminatory restrictions against dollar imports is inconsistent with Belgium's obligations under the General Agreement, that the benefits accruing to the United States directly and indirectly under the General Agreement in its trade with Belgium are being nullified and impaired, and that the attainment of the objectives of the General Agreement is being impeded; and to report to the Contracting Parties.

(b) In its consideration of this matter, the Working Party should consult as necessary with the International Monetary Fund in accordance with Article XV of the General Agreement.

Note: The date of convening the Working Party will depend upon the time at which the International Monetary Fund can make available information on its consultations with Belgium. The Executive Secretary is in communication with the Fund on this point. Discussions on this subject at the Sixth Session are to be found in GATT/CP.6/SR.20 and 26.