1. The Contracting Parties, at their Fifth Session in November-December 1950, decided to invite contracting parties to submit statements on action which they are taking under the provisions of the Agreement which allow the maintenance of quantitative restrictions on imports or exports as exceptions to the general rule of paragraph 1 of Article XI. It was decided to ask for the following:

(i) A description of each measure of restriction and of the methods used in application.

(ii) A list of the products to which each measure is applied, together with relevant statistics of external trade.

(iii) If not inconvenient, a copy of each of the laws, regulations and decrees authorising or enforcing the measures of restriction.

2. It is understood that contracting parties are not expected to include in these statements the restrictions applied for balance-of-payments reasons under the provisions of Article XII or to furnish any information the disclosure of which they would consider contrary to their security interests (cf. Article XXI (a)).

3. The statements should reach the Executive Secretary in Geneva by June 17, 1951. The statements should be in English and/or French. Three copies should be sent by airmail and 50 copies by surface post for distribution to other contracting parties.