COMMUNICATION FROM THE INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ADDENDUM

Proposal on Customs Treatment of Samples and Advertising Material

Note by the Executive Secretary

1. As was noted in document GATT/CP/98, the International Chamber of Commerce recommendation on samples and advertising material embodied in the resolution attached to that document was addressed both to the Contracting Parties and to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations. The Council considered the recommendation at its twelfth session and adopted, on March 7, 1851, a resolution (347/XII) requesting the Secretary-General to transmit to the Members of the United Nations and to the Contracting Parties to the General Agreement the relevant documents and records of discussions, and expressing the hope that the Contracting Parties would examine this question at their next session and take the measures which they deemed appropriate.

2. In accordance with that resolution, the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Affairs of the United Nations has transmitted to the Contracting Parties, by letter dated 24 May, the following documents:

- Resolution 347 (XII) of March 7, 1951, E/1943;
- Proposal from the International Chamber of Commerce, E/C.2/282 and Add.1;
- Summary Record of the Economic Committee E/AC.6/SR.102;

together with other relevant working papers and records (E/AC.6/33 and 34; E/1936 and E/SR.460).

3. These documents are on file at the Secretariat for consultation. Those contracting parties which are Members of the United Nations will have received these documents and records through the regular U.N. distribution. They have also been transmitted by the United Nations to the Governments of Ceylon, Finland, Italy and Southern Rhodesia, and a request has been made for copies to be sent also to the Torquay acceding governments which are not members of the United Nations.