FUTURE TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS

The following additional replies have been received to the telegrams sent by the Chairman with regard to future tariff negotiations:

Austria

The Government informs that the Havana Charter is to be submitted to Parliament at its next session and that accession to the General Agreement will be examined at the same time.

Ecuador

Ecuador is studying the possibility of adhering to the General Agreement, but is awaiting consideration by the National Congress before giving a definitive reply.

El Salvador

El Salvador is interested in principle in adhering but its final decision depends upon further information as to legislative action by other governments now and in the early future relating to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the Havana Charter.

Switzerland

The Government of Switzerland considers that a decision with regard to undertaking tariff negotiations with the present Contracting Parties cannot be undertaken before the position of Switzerland with regard to the Havana Charter has been clarified.

Turkey

The Turkish Government wishes to adhere to the General Agreement but regrets that it cannot undertake negotiations this year pending the completion of technical preparations.