At their Sixth Session the Contracting Parties fixed 5 June 1952 as the tentative date for the opening of the Seventh Session. This provisional date was fixed in the light of the recommendation of the Working Party on Balance-of-Payment Restrictions to the effect that the consultations with contracting parties under Article XIV:1 (g) could be concluded more effectively at the Seventh Session if, before the end of that Session, the International Monetary Fund would make available to the Contracting Parties the results of its consultations with the same governments on the maintenance of exchange restrictions. It was agreed that the Intersessional Committee should meet before 1 March to take a final decision on the date for the Seventh Session, and it is expected that the representatives of the Fund will inform the Committee of the progress made in the Fund's consultations and will indicate the date by which the Fund will be ready to consult with the Contracting Parties concerning the consultations under Article XIV:1 (g).

Article XIV requires the consultations under paragraph 1 (g) to be held in the month of March 1952. Accordingly, contracting parties were requested to initiate the consultations not later than 15 March by communicating with the Executive Secretary and by furnishing details of the measures involved. In order to assist the Intersessional Committee in deciding upon the most appropriate time for the Seventh Session, the Executive Secretary asked the contracting parties on 4 December 1951 (GATT/CP/132) and again on 23 January 1952 (GATT/AIR/5) to give advance notice of their intention to initiate consultations by 25 February. Up to 21 February, Greece, India, Italy and New Zealand have indicated their intention to initiate consultations.

When considering this question, the Committee may wish to review the items which will appear on the agenda for the Seventh Session. An outline of the agenda, as it appears at the present time, is therefore attached hereto.
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OUTLINE OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of Agenda,
2. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman,
3. Balance-of-Payment Import Restrictions -
   (a) Consultations under Article XIV:1 (g) on Discriminatory Application of Restrictions,
   (b) Third Annual Report on Discrimination,
   (c) Consultations under Article XII:4 (b) on Intensification of Restrictions,
4. International Chamber of Commerce Resolutions -
   (a) Review of comments on the draft convention and on the recommendations of the Sixth Session,
   (b) Resolutions on valuation, nationality of manufactured goods and formalities connected with quantitative restrictions,
5. Report of Intersessional Working Party on Reduction of Tariff Levels,
6. Report of Working Party on European Coal and Steel Pool,
7. Special Exchange Agreements -
   (a) (i) Report on operation of the agreements (Haiti and Indonesia),
   (ii) Report on consultations on exchange restrictions (Haiti and Indonesia),
   (b) Implementation of the provisions of Article XV:6 by Burma, Germany, Korea, Liberia, New Zealand,
8. Status of Protocols and Schedules (Request of Chile for extension of time to sign the Torquay Protocol),
9. Italy-Libya, Report by Italian Government on the need for an extension of the waiver granted for special treatment to Libyan products,
10. Nomination of a person to serve as Chairman of ICCICA.


16. Publication of Analysis of the Agreement etc. (Volume III of GATT Documents).

17. Publication of an Annual Report. (Proposal of the Executive Secretary).

18. Report by Cuba and the United States on Article XXVIII negotiations.

19. Report by the Executive Secretary on his consultations with the United Nations.

20. South-Africa - Southern Rhodesia Customs Union. (Progress report by the two governments).


22. Rectification of Schedules.

23. Correction of the Consolidated Schedules.

24. Budget.

25. Re-appointment of Intersessional Committee.