Intersessional Committee

NEW MEASURES OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

(January-February, 1952)

At the meetings held on January 14 and 15, the Intersessional Committee agreed to recommend that any contracting party intensifying its import restrictions should furnish detailed information promptly to the Executive Secretary in order to enable the Chairman and the Executive Secretary to determine whether there is a prima facie case for initiation of consultations under Article XII:4(b). (See GATT/IC/3)

The Governments of France, Southern Rhodesia and the United Kingdom have communicated the texts of governmental announcements of modifications in their import programmes and restrictions. These communications have been distributed in the following documents:

- Modification in French Import Restrictions  GATT/CP/L44
- Extension of Import Controls of Southern Rhodesia  GATT/CP/L38
- Further Restrictions in United Kingdom External Expenditure  GATT/CP/L43

The communication from the Government of France, which is distributed in GATT/CP/L44 was dated 13 February. Further restrictive measures were announced in the Journal Officiel of 19 February by which the re-introduction of quotas has been extended to include those commodities which were exempted from the scope of the restrictions announced earlier in the month.