Recommendations submitted by the Tariff Negotiations Working Party

The Tariff Negotiations Working Party has given consideration to the procedure to be followed when delegations complete their negotiations, and recommends the following:

1) After agreement has been reached in a bilateral negotiation, the two delegations should inform the Secretariat immediately and should forward as soon as possible, with a joint covering letter, two copies of the lists of concessions which are to be incorporated in the GATT. This letter should be signed by representatives of the two delegations and should be delivered under sealed cover, marked "SECRET", to Mr. G. MAGGIO, Room 8, Hotel Verdun.

2) Each of the two delegations should send a copy of its list of concessions to each other delegation with which it has entered into negotiations. The envelopes containing the lists to be delivered to other delegations should also be marked "SECRET".

3) In order to ensure that the secrecy of the concessions is maintained, it is suggested that delegations should prepare only a limited number of copies, and that all copies should be numbered and marked "SECRET". Further, it is suggested that a signature should be obtained for each copy delivered to the Secretariat and the delegations.

4) It will be understood that the results embodied in lists of concessions will be subject to any adjustment that may be required in the light of other negotiations as they are completed.