Tariff Negotiations

**TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE**

The Significance of "entering into tariff negotiations"

(A recommendation of the Tariff Negotiations Working Party)

At a meeting of the Working Party on 24th May the progress of the Annecy negotiations was discussed with representatives of two delegations which have engaged in exploratory talks but have not yet entered into formal negotiations.

It appears to the Working Party that the progress of the negotiations would be expedited if the Tariff Negotiations Committee would consider the significance of "entering into negotiations" in relation to Article XXXV of the General Agreement. It was thought that this question should be discussed thoroughly by the Committee and should, if necessary, be referred to the Contracting Parties for a ruling.