GATT Office Circular No. 45

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

Time-Table and Curriculum of Studies with the Trade Policy Division

1. The attached time schedule covers the part of the programme where studies are guided by officers in the Trade Policy Division (with the collaboration of Mr. Duthie from the Office of the Executive Secretary). These studies will be concerned with the provisions of the General Agreement and activities of the CONTRACTING PARTIES and will cover the grounds noted in the annexed curriculum, with the exception of sections A, B and C thereof (which will be dealt with separately by Mr. Haight, Special Assistant, Office of the Executive Secretary).

2. This part of the programme will take six weeks, from Monday, 4 August to Friday, 12 September. As a rule, introductory talks by the GATT officer and group discussions will take place on alternate working days, starting at 9.30 each morning and normally finishing at 11.30 a.m. The officer who has conducted the session in the morning should be present at the main office of the fellows between 2.30 and 3 in the same afternoon with a view to assisting them in arranging their studies for the afternoon.

3. During the period, i.e. from 4 August to 12 September, the fellows should be regarded for administrative purposes as temporary staff members attached to the Trade Policy Division, under the supervision of Mr. Royer, who is in charge of the Division.
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ANNEX

CURRICULUM OF STUDIES ON THE PROVISIONS OF
THE GENERAL AGREEMENT AND ACTIVITIES OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

Explanatory Note

1. The printed volumes of GATT documents, entitled Basic Instruments and
   Selected Documents, are referred to in abbreviated form, as follows:

   "I"
   indicates Volume I (the old text of the Agreement,
   procedures, etc.);

   "I (Rev.)"
   Volume I (Revised) (the revised text of the
   Agreement and the Agreement on the Organiza-
   tion for Trade Co-operation);

   "II"
   Volume II (decisions, reports, etc. up to
   the end of 1951);

   "1S"
   First Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1952);

   "2S"
   Second Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1953);

   "3S"
   Third Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. from
   1954 to March 1955);

   "4S"
   Fourth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. from
   April - December 1955);

   "5S"
   Fifth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1956);

   "6S"
   Sixth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1957).

2. The numerals following the abbreviations indicate the page numbers in
   the volumes referred to.

3. The numerals and letters following the number of a GATT Article refer
   to the paragraphs and sub-paragraphs of the Article.

4. "G" and "I" refer to GATT documents.
A. The General Agreement

1. Protocol of Provisional Application (I,77)

"Existing legislation" (I,77; II,35)

2. Definitive application (Art.XXVI; Annex H)

(a) Mandatory legislation (L/309 & Add.)
(b) Reservations on acceptance (3S, 48)

3. Territorial application (I,77; Art.XXIV:1 & 2)

Territories to which the Agreement is applied (G/5)

4. Accession (Art.XXIII)

(a) Annecy Protocol (I,79)
(b) Torquay Protocol (I,86)
(c) Japanese Protocol (4S, 7)
(d) Decision on accession (II, 33-34; 4S, 33)
(e) Switzerland (5S, 40)

5. Admission of Territories which acquire Autonomy (Art.XXVI:5(c))

Indonesia, Ghana, Malaya (6S, 9)
Procedures (6S, 11)

6. Non-application in particular cases (Art.XXXV; II,35)

Action with respect to Japan

7. Withdrawal (I,78; Art.XXI)

8. Observance by regional and local governments (Art.XXIV:12)

9. Exceptions (Art.XX and XXI)

10. Interpretative Notes (Art.XXXIV and Annex I)

11. Amendments (Art.XXX) and Protocols of Amendment; Entry into force (6S, 12)

12. Contracting parties (Art.XXXII)

13. CONTRACTING PARTIES (Art.XXXV:1)

(a) Voting (Art.XXV:3 & 4)
(b) Rules of Procedure (5S, 11)

14. Intersessional Committee (5S, 17)
15. Consultation and complaints of impairment (Art.XXII and XXIII)

16. Waiving of obligations (Art.XXV:5(a); 5S, 25)

B. ITO and OTC

1. International Trade Organization (Havana Charter)

2. Interim Commission for the International Trade Organization

3. Organization for Trade Cooperation
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   (b) Text of Agreement (I(Rev.))
   (c) Establishment (6S, 12)

C. Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment

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   (a) Rulings
      (i) "Charges of any kind" (II,12)
      (ii) Rebates of internal taxes (II,12 and Art.I(Rev.))
   (b) Complaints
      (i) Norwegian sardines (1S, 30 & 53)
      (ii) Belgian family allowances (1S, 59)

2. Preferential systems (Art.I:2 and Annexes A-F)


4. Frontier traffic (Art.XXIV:3)

5. Waivers
   (a) United States trust territory (II,9 & 173)
   (b) Italy/Libya (1S, 14; 4S, 16 & 99)
   (c) Papua/New Guinea (2S, 18 & 93; 4S, 14 & 82; 5S, 34 & 114)
   (d) United Kingdom/Commonwealth duty-free items (2S, 20 & 96; 3S, 25 & 139)
   (e) United Kingdom/overseas territories (3S, 21 & 131)
   (f) ECSC (1S, 17 & 85; 6S, 139)
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D. National Treatment

1. Article III

(a) Principles (para. 1)
(b) Taxation (para. 2)
(c) Sale and distribution (para. 4)
(d) Mixing regulations (paras. 5-7)
(e) Exceptions (para. 8)
(f) Screen quotas (para. 10 and Art.IV)

2. Complaints

(a) Brazilian internal taxes (II, 181)
(b) Greek taxes (1S, 48)
(c) Italian taxes on pharmaceutical products
(d) German turnover tax on printed matter
(e) French automobile tax
(f) French and Italian taxes on agricultural machinery

E. Schedules

1. Negotiation of Concessions (I, 104-119; Art.XXIX bis., 3S, 218;
   TN, 56/1, 2 & 4)

2. Schedules, an integral part of Part I of the Agreement (Art.II:7)

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   (i) French compensation tax (3S, 26; 5S, 27)
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   (a) Benelux (11,12)
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F. Modification of Concessions

1. Withdrawals (Art.XXVII)

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2. Special exceptions in Article XI and special problems

   (a) Provisions of Article XI:2
   (b) United States dairy products; complaint (II,16; 1S, 31, 32 & 62; 6S, 14)
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L. Balance-of-payments restrictions

1. Criteria and rules for the use of restrictions

   (a) Justification and criteria for the application of restrictions (Art.XII:1 & 2; Art.XVIII:8 & 9)
   (b) Other qualifications and conditions (Art.XII:3; Art.XVIII:10 & 11)
   (c) Review and consultations (Art.XII:4 & 5; Art.XVIII:12)
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   (e) Revision of Article XII in 1955
   (f) Standard practices for the application of restrictions
   (g) Reducing incidental protective effects (special report of 1950)
2. Discriminatory application of restrictions

(a) The rule of non-discrimination (Art.XIII:1)
(b) Methods and criteria for applying non-discrimination (Art.XIII:2-5)
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   (b) The provisions concerning co-operation (Art.XV:1 & 2)
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3. Quantitative restrictions in state trading (Art.XI:3)