INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TO FACILITATE THE IMPORTATION
OF COMMERCIAL SAMPLES AND ADVERTISING MATERIAL

Report by the Executive Secretary

The International Convention to Facilitate the Importation of Commercial Samples and Advertising Material is applicable for the following thirty-four countries which have ratified or acceded to the Convention up to the present date:

Australia
Austria
Belgium
Ceylon
Czechoslovakia
Denmark
Egypt
Finland
Federal Republic of Germany
Ghana
Greece
Haiti
Hungary
India
Indonesia
Ireland
Israel
Italy
Japan
Luxemburg

Federation of Malaya
The Netherlands (for the realm in Europe, Surinam, Netherlands New Guinea and Netherlands Antilles)
New Zealand (Cook and Tokelau Islands and Western Samoa)
Norway
Pakistan
Portugal
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Turkey
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
United States of America
Yugoslavia

1An instrument of accession to the Convention was deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations by Ceylon on 28 October 1959 stipulating that the accession is "... subject to a reservation on paragraph 2 of Article III of that Convention, which provision the Ceylon Government is unable to accept".

2Reservations by Germany and India are given in document L/253.

3Territories to which the Convention is or is not applicable are given in documents L/539/Add.2 and 7.
The following contracting parties have not yet become a party to the Convention:

Brazil                      Dominican Republic
Burma                       France
Canada¹                     Nicaragua
Chile                       Peru
Cuba                        Union of South Africa
                            Uruguay

¹Following the Secretary-General's recommendations to United Nations members to accept the Convention, two governments expressed their intentions and these are reproduced in document I/731/..dd.1.