SIXTEENTH SESSION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

To be held in Geneva, beginning on 16 May 1960

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

2. PROGRAMME FOR EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE
   (a) Committee I
      (i) Poland's request to participate in the Tariff Conference in 1961
      (ii) Examination of the EEC common tariff under Article XXIV:5(a)
           (reference: L/1043, paragraph 18)
   (b) Committee II
      Report by Committee
      (The Committee will meet from 9-13 May to consider its second report
      to the CONTRACTING PARTIES. The Committee will carry out consultations
      with several contracting parties during the session.)
   (c) Committee III
      Report by Committee (L/1162)
      (The Committee proposes to hold one meeting during the session.)

3. BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
   Reports by Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions on consultations
   with Austria, Brazil, Greece, India, Malaya, South Africa and Uruguay.

4. ITALIAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
   Report by Italy

5. GERMAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
   Report by Germany on action taken under Section D of Annex A to the
   Decision of 30 May 1959.
6. BELGIAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

7. DECLARATION ON PROVISION L. COVENANT OF SWITZERLAND
   Report by Switzerland under paragraph 1(b) of the Declaration.

8. ARTICLES XX
   Question of the need to retain sub-paragraph (j) (see text of the sub-paragraph and the Decision of 11 October 1956).

9. ARTICLE XVIII
   (a) Notifications by Ceylon (see SR.15/18 and L/1113, Part I)
   (b) Review under paragraph 6 (see L/1113, Part II)
   (c) Notification by Cuba (see L/1113, Part III)

10. AVOIDANCE OF IMPACT DISRUPTION
    A factual report will be submitted by the Executive Secretary.

11. EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY
    Information to be supplied by the representatives of the Community.

12. EUROPEAN FREE TRADE ASSOCIATION (L/1132 and L/1167)

13. PARIS ECONOMIC MEETINGS
    Report by Executive Secretary (L/1166).

14. LATIN AMERICAN FREE TRADE AREA (L/1157)

15. RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES
    Report by Group of Experts (L/1015).

16. SUBSIDIES
    (a) Report by Panel (L/1160)
    (b) Consideration of action under Article XVIII.

17. STATE-TRADING ENTERPRISES
    Report by Panel (L/1146).

18. ANTI-DUMPING AND COUNTERVAILING DUTIES
    Report by Panel (L/1141).
19. FACILITIES FOR TEMPORARY ADMISSION OF PROFESSIONAL EQUIPMENT AND PACKING MATERIALS

(a) Report by Group of Experts (L/1139; see also L/1155)
(b) Any further draft conventions that may be submitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES by the Customs Co-operation Council.  

20. ITALIAN CUSTOMS TREATMENT FOR IMPORTS OF SOMALIAN PRODUCTS

Item proposed by Italy

21. SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

(a) French Stemp Tax
   Report by France

(b) Italian Measures in favour of Domestic Production of Ships' Plates
   Item requested by Austria

22. APPLICATION OF ARTICLE XXXV TO JAPAN

23. STATUS OF TOGO AND CAMEROONS

Item proposed by France

24. STRENGTHENING OF ORGANIZATION OF CONTRACTING PARTIES

Report by group of officers on working methods and organizational structure of the CONTRACTING PARTIES. Apart from this report, the Executive Secretary will ask for a decision on his proposal to the heads of delegations at the Tokyo session (Spec(59)281) for the establishment of a permanent council.

25. PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS BETWEEN THE SIXTEENTH AND SEVENTEENTH SESSIONS (L/1109)

26. ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUTURE SESSIONS

(a) Arrangements for the seventeenth session (beginning on 31 October 1960)

(b) Date of eighteenth session

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1 If any draft conventions (in addition to the one on packing materials) are submitted, it is suggested that a group of experts should be established during the session to study the drafts.