ADVANCE AGENDA

Circulated herewith is an advance agenda for the thirty-third session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES in which are listed the items proposed by the secretariat for inclusion in the provisional agenda. Contracting parties wishing to propose additional items are requested to submit their proposals and supporting documents by 14 October 1977 in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure. The provisional agenda will be distributed by 24 October 1977.

1. REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

A list of items on which the Council has taken or is likely to take action or to make recommendations before the opening of the session is annexed. The minutes of Council meetings since the thirty-second session have been distributed in documents C/M/118 and following.

2. ACTIVITIES OF GATT

It would be the intention under this item of the agenda to provide the CONTRACTING PARTIES with an opportunity to review major developments since the thirty-second session, and to consider any reports, including that of the Committee on Trade and Development, submitted directly to the CONTRACTING PARTIES.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
ANNEX

The following subjects will be included in the report of the Council on work done since the thirty-second session:

1. ANTI-DUMPING PRACTICES
   - Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices

2. BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
   - Consultations on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions
     (a) Arrangements for consultations in 1977
     (b) Consultation with Finland
     (c) Consultation with Israel
     (d) Consultation with Portugal
     (e) Consultation with Yugoslavia
     (f) Examinations under simplified procedures
        - Bangladesh, Ghana, Greece, Tunisia
        - Egypt, Indonesia, Pakistan, Peru, Sri Lanka

3. EMERGENCY ACTION AND TRADE RESTRICTIVE MEASURES
   (a) Brazil
      - Import restrictions
   (b) Canada
      - Import restrictions on beef
   (c) Finland
      - Article XIX action on women’s panty hose (tights)
   (d) Greece
      - Increase in bound duty
   (e) Israel
      - Temporary surcharge
   (f) Italy
      - Monetary measures
(g) Portugal
   - Import surcharges and import deposits

(h) South Africa
   - Import deposit

(i) Yugoslavia
   - Temporary import surcharge

(j) United States
   (i) Import restrictions on beef
   (ii) Imports of footwear
   (iii) Suspension of customs liquidation regarding certain Japanese consumer electronic products

4. RECOURSE TO ARTICLE XXIII
   (a) Canada - Withdrawal of tariff concessions
   (b) EEC - Import deposits for animal feed proteins
   (c) Japan - Import restrictions on thrown silk
   (d) Tax legislation
      (i) United States tax legislation (DISC)
      (ii) Income tax practices maintained by France
      (iii) Income tax practices maintained by Belgium
      (iv) Income tax practices maintained by the Netherlands

5. CUSTOMS UNIONS AND FREE-TRADE AREAS; REGIONAL AGREEMENTS
   (a) Arab Common Market
   (b) Bangkok Agreement
   (c) Caribbean Common Market
   (d) European Communities
      (i) Agreement with Portugal
      (ii) Agreements with Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon
(e) Agreements concluded with Finland
   (i) Finland-Hungary
   (ii) Finland-GDR
(f) Papua New Guinea-Australia Agreement

6. WAIVERS UNDER ARTICLE XXV:5
   (a) Brazil
       - renegotiation of Schedule
   (b) India
       - auxiliary duty of customs

7. REPORTS UNDER WAIVERS
   United States
       - Imports of automotive products

8. RENegotIATIONS UNDER ARTICLE XXVIII:4
   (i) Finland
   (ii) Sweden

9. HUNGARY
   - consultations on trade

10. POLAND
    - consultations on trade

11. ROMANIA
    - consultations on trade

12. INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE
    - Joint Advisory Group

13. ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES
    - Annual review
14. TRAINING ACTIVITIES

15. STATUS OF PROTOCOLS

16. ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS
   (a) Committee on Budget, Finance and Administration
   (b) Erosion of salaries
   (c) Final position of 1976 budget of GATT
   (d) Legal requirements at the new headquarters
   (e) Pension problems in Geneva
   (f) Revision of salary scales
   (g) Terms of appointment of the Director-General

17. ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIRTY-THIRD SESSION

18. OBSERVER STATUS TO COUNCIL