CEYLON IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

The Government of Ceylon has transmitted the following note summarizing the changes introduced in November 1953 in the import control policy, together with copies of Ceylon Government Gazette No. 10,615 containing Government Notifications of these changes. A copy of the Gazette is being sent to each contracting party.

The changes in import policy for the period commencing 1 July 1953, were published in the Ceylon Government Gazette Extraordinary No. 10,615 of 26 November 1953, and takes the form of amendments to the Notification published in the Gazette No. 10,477 of 8 December 1952, containing the details of the import control policy for the period commencing 1 July 1952, which was circulated to the contracting parties. The following are the principal amendments.

Open General Licence No. 1:

A large number of new items previously under individual licencing, such as iron, steel and lead manufactures, electrical goods and apparatus and chemicals, may now be imported without a licence. The number of countries to which this O.G.L. does not apply has been increased by the addition of the following countries, viz:

- Austria
- U.S.S.R.
- Albania
- Bulgaria
- Czechoslovakia
- Estonia
- Hungary
- Latvia
- Poland
- Rumania
- Lithuania
- Yugoslavia

Open General Licence No. 2:

An individual licence is now not required to import goods such as certain iron and steel manufactures, electrical goods and chemicals from the dollar area.

Open General Licence No. 3:

An individual licence is now required to import the goods included in this O.G.L. from the following additional countries:

- Austria
- U.S.S.R.
- Albania
- Bulgaria
- Czechoslovakia
- Estonia
- Hungary
- Latvia
- Poland
- Rumania
- Lithuania
- Yugoslavia
Open General Licence No. 4:

Same remarks as under the O.G.L. No. 3 apply to this O.G.L.

Open General Licence No. 5:

This is a new O.G.L. and relates only to "Maldive Fish" which may be imported only from the Maldive Islands without an individual import licence.

General Import Licences from Japan and Germany:

The number of items which may be imported on these licences has been substantially increased.

Goods under Licence from all Sources:

This list is now smaller than the corresponding list for the previous period since many items previously under licence are now under Open General Licences.

Imports from E.F.U. and Dollar Sources:

Substantially no change as compared with the previous period.

Imports from China, Austria, Yugoslavia, U.S.S.R. and "Other" Countries:

All imports from these sources require individual licences."