GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

SCHEDULE XX - UNITED STATES

Modification of Concessions on Item 740 - Dried Figs -
under the Procedures of Article XIX

Result of supplemental investigation to determine whether
the modification of the tariff concession remains necessary

Addendum

The following communication from the United States Government was received on 9 July:

"The President sent the following letter regarding dried figs to the Chairman of the Tariff Commission on June 25th:

'I have received the report of June 3, 1953 of the United States Tariff Commission on the results of its investigation with respect to dried figs under Executive Order 10401, dated October 14, 1952.

'On the basis of the findings and recommendation of the Commission, it is my opinion that existing rates of duty with respect to dried figs should not be disturbed at this time. However, I would like the Tariff Commission to keep this case under review and to report to me periodically, in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 10401, or at an earlier time if altered conditions affecting the industry indicate the desirability of modifying those restrictions now in effect.'

"The investigation by the Tariff Commission was instituted on the request of the President made on March 3, 1953. In its report on the investigation, the Commission found that the escape-clause action which increased the duty on dried figs from 2½ to 4½ cents per pound effective August 30th, 1952, remains necessary to prevent serious injury to the domestic industry."