The Chairman of the Informal Group of Developing Countries in GATT has the honour to advise that a meeting of the Group will be held on Wednesday, 1 October, at 3 p.m., in the Villa Le Bocage, Geneva.

It has been suggested that this meeting might be devoted to an exchange of views on points of interest to the developing countries which are likely to be taken up in GATT meetings during the period September/December 1969.

Among the more important meetings on which the Group may wish to exchange views are the following:

1. **Cotton Textiles Committee** (8-10 October)

   According to the airgram issued on the subject, this meeting will cover review of the operation of the Cotton Textiles Arrangement over last year, discuss adjustment measures in the cotton textile industry and initiate an exchange of views on any proposals for extension of the Agreement beyond September 1970 or for its modification, enlargement, etc.

2. **Agriculture Committee** (13-15 October)

   This meeting of the Committee is expected, inter alia, to discuss the problem of tropical oils and oilseeds which has been referred to it from the Special Group on Trade in Tropical Products and also to take note of the list of non-tariff barriers affecting agricultural and processed agricultural products which has been transferred to it by the Committee on Trade in Industrial Products.
3. **Committee on Trade in Industrial Products (20-31 October)**

This is expected to review the inventory of non-tariff barriers and, in the light of past discussions, to examine how further action might be initiated in respect of different kinds of barriers possibly on the basis of some order of priorities. It will also deal with any proposals put to it by the Expert Group on the Tariff Study for analysis of the tariff situation in different industrial sectors.

4. **Committee on Border Tax Adjustments (30 October-4 November)**

The Committee will pursue earlier discussions regarding trade effects of border tax adjustments, etc. At the last meeting there was a special discussion on border tax practices affecting products of interest to the developing countries and certain suggestions for further examination of the issues raised in this context were made.

5. **Group on Residual Restrictions and Committee on Trade and Development (3-7 November)**

The Group on Residual Restrictions will concentrate on an examination of restrictions affecting a selected list of products on the basis of data supplied by governments maintaining the restrictions. The Committee on Trade and Development will, in addition to completing its review of Part IV, also review problems affecting trade of developing countries that have been taken up in other GATT bodies, e.g. tropical products including particularly vegetable oils, special tariff problems of developing countries, etc. and other points left over from its last meeting, e.g. adjustment assistance.