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Prices are quoted in US dollars. Payment may be made in the equivalent amount of other currencies.
The current, up-to-date text of the General Agreement is contained in *Basic Instruments, Volume III*, published by the GATT secretariat in December 1958. For price and United Nations Sales Number, see page 5.

The text of the General Agreement contained in *Basic Instruments, Volume III*, is reproduced as amended by various protocols, including those parts of the Protocol Amending the Preamble and Parts II and III and the Procès-Verbal of Rectification concerning that Protocol which became effective for two-thirds of the contracting parties, on 7 October 1957. The remaining amendments contained in the Protocol Amending the Preamble and Parts II and III and the amendments in the Protocol Amending Part I and Articles XXIX and XXX and the Protocol of Organizational Amendments, which are not in force for any contracting party, have not been incorporated in this text.

**Analytical Index of the General Agreement (revised)**

The **Analytical Index of the General Agreement** contains excerpts from reports and discussions during the conferences leading up to the signature of the General Agreement and the Havana Charter and during meetings of the CONTRACTING PARTIES, which are intended to throw light on the drafting of the provisions of the General Agreement and to serve as a guide to their interpretation.

The Index is published in mimeographed form. It is available only from the GATT secretariat.

BASIC INSTRUMENTS AND SELECTED DOCUMENTS SERIES

All volumes in the Basic Instruments series are published in English and in French and can be ordered from the GATT secretariat and from United Nations Sales Agents. Most of the volumes in this series are available in Spanish.


Nine Supplements to the Basic Instruments have been published.

The First Supplement, March 1953, contains important Decisions, Resolutions, Recommendations and Reports which were adopted by the CONTRACTING PARTIES between May and October 1952.

The Second Supplement, January 1954, contains similar material for the period November 1952 to December 1953.

Volume I (revised) and the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Supplements are available in Spanish.
The Third Supplement, June 1955, contains the Decisions, Resolutions and Reports adopted at the ninth session, including the Reports relating to the Review of the Agreement, and a comprehensive index.

The Fourth Supplement, March 1956, contains the Decisions, Declarations, Resolutions, Rulings and Reports of the CONTRACTING PARTIES adopted since the close of the ninth session in March 1955. It also lists all unpublished Decisions, etc., since 1948 and provides a consolidated index.

The Fifth Supplement, February 1957, contains the Decisions, Declarations, Resolutions, Rulings and Reports of the CONTRACTING PARTIES adopted at the eleventh session, October-November 1956. It also contains the amended rules of procedure for sessions of the CONTRACTING PARTIES and for intersessional meetings, as well as an index to Volumes I and II and the first five Supplements of the Basic Instruments.

The Sixth Supplement, March 1958, contains the Decisions, Declarations, Resolutions, Rulings and Reports of the CONTRACTING PARTIES adopted at the twelfth session, October-November 1957. It also contains a consolidated index to all volumes, up-to-date, in the BISD series.


The Eighth Supplement, February 1960, contains the Decisions, Recommendations etc., and Reports adopted at the fourteenth session (May 1959) and fifteenth session (October-November 1959). It also contains a consolidated index of all volumes, up-to-date, in the BISD series.

The Ninth Supplement, contains Decisions etc., adopted at the sixteenth session (May 1960) and seventeenth session (November 1960).
Basic Instruments and Selected Documents

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- Volume I: English, French
- Volume I (revised): English, French
- Sixth Supplement: French
REPORTS ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE, THE OPERATION
OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT, AND
COMMERCIAL POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

The following three publications provide accounts of the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the GATT in its earlier stages and place the operation of the GATT in the general perspective of world trade; all are available in English or French, and are obtainable from the GATT secretariat and from United Nations Sales Agents.

The Attack on Trade Barriers: A report on the operation of the GATT from January 1948 to August 1949. September 1949. Price $0.15 (GATT/1949-2). French and German editions are obtainable from the secretariat only.


International Trade: Each year since 1952 (except 1957 - see below) the GATT secretariat has published an annual report under the title International Trade. From 1952 to 1958 the contents of these reports followed the same general pattern. Part I analysed the main changes in the structure and development of international trade on a world-wide basis. Part II examined commercial policy in the period under review, including such matters as changes in customs tariffs, quantitative restrictions, export promotion schemes and trade agreements. In Part III the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES to GATT was reviewed.

For the year 1957 the secretariat published a report entitled Commercial Policy 1957 which was limited to a survey of developments in commercial policy and a description of the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES.

In 1959 it was decided that henceforward the annual report, International Trade, would be confined to developments in the structure and pattern of international trade (Part I of the earlier reports), and that developments in commercial policy (Part II) and the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES (Part III) would be published separately. See below, under The Activities of GATT and Developments in Commercial Policy.
OUT OF PRINT: The following volumes in the above series are out of print -

The Attack on Trade Barriers: English (except in mimeographed form)

Liberating World Trade: English

GATT in Action: English (except in mimeographed form)

International Trade 1953: English, French

International Trade 1954: English, French

The Activities of GATT

As stated above, it was decided in 1959 that the review of the work of

the CONTRACTING PARTIES, hitherto included in International Trade should be
pubhshed separately under the title The Activities of GATT. The first two
issues were published in May 1960 and 1961. They cover such topics as the
the programme for expansion of trade, regional integration, quantitative import
restrictions and commodity trade.

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Developments in Commercial Policy

It was decided in 1959 that the description of developments in commercial policy, hitherto included in International Trade should be published separately. The first issue, covering the period January-June 1960, was published in November 1960, and the second, covering the period July-December 1960, was published in June 1961.

The first issues of Developments in Commercial Policy are available free of charge, but the possibility of charging for future issues is under consideration. English and French editions.

Trends in International Trade (The Haberler Report)

In 1958, a Panel of four internationally known economists, established by the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their twelfth session, undertook a special study in the field of international trade and their report was published under the title Trends in International Trade.

After a detailed examination of the short-term fluctuations and long-term changes in the structure of world trade the report focuses attention on certain specific problems: first, the trade and payments difficulties of the non-industrialized countries, particularly in their commercial relations with the industrialized countries; secondly the need for stability in the world markets for primary products, especially in the industrialized countries; thirdly, policies of agricultural protectionism in the industrialized countries and the way in which the harmful effects of such policies could be minimized.

Trends in International Trade formed the basis for the GATT programme for the Expansion of International Trade (see The Activities of GATT).

The members of the Panel were Roberto de Oliveira Campos, Director of the Brazilian National Bank for Economic Development; Gottfried Haberler, Professor of Economics at Harvard University; James Meade, Professor of Political Economy, University of Cambridge; and Jan Tinbergen, Professor of Development Programming at the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Economic Studies, Rotterdam.
Available in Spanish from the GATT secretariat, under the title of Las tendencias del comercio internacional.

Report of the Working Party on the Association of Overseas Territories with the European Economic Community, including Commodity Trade Studies

At the twelfth session in November 1957 the CONTRACTING PARTIES examined the relevant provisions of the Rome Treaty establishing the European Economic Community in the light of the obligations which the Member States of the Community have assumed under the General Agreement. At the end of that session the work was continued under the auspices of the Intersessional Committee which appointed a Working Party "to study the problems which the association of overseas countries and territories with the European Economic Community raises for the trade of other contracting parties to the General Agreement".

The Working Party made an examination of the trade in twelve commodities which were regarded as being of special concern to contracting parties, namely:

- cocoa
- bananas
- oilseeds
- wood
- coffee
- sugar
- cotton
- aluminium
- tea
- tobacco
- hard fibres
- lead

Trade studies on each of the above commodities were set out in the form of Annexes to a report which the Working Party submitted to the Intersessional Committee in 1958. The report examines matters of a legal nature arising from the association of the overseas territories with the Community; it summarizes the discussions on economic issues, in particular the effects on trade of the new tariff régime, as well as general issues relating to the Treaty of Rome.

The report and the twelve commodity trade studies are published in their original mimeographed form, bound in one volume. It is available only from the GATT secretariat.

Restrictive Business Practices

A study of the part played by restrictive business practices in economic life; the attitude of domestic legislation with respect to such practices; and attempts made since 1945 to achieve international control of restrictive business practices affecting international trade. This memorandum was written by Professor J. L'Huillier of the University of Geneva, following an instruction by the CONTRACTING PARTIES, at the twelfth session, to the secretariat to collect and analyse documentation on the subject of restrictive business practices.


Publications Concerning Quantitative Restrictions, Customs Tariffs

Quantitative Restrictions

First Report by the CONTRACTING PARTIES on the Discriminatory Application of Import Restrictions under the Transitional Period Arrangements of Article XIV March 1950. Price $0.25. (GATT/1950-1). This item is out of print in English and French.

The Use of Quantitative Restrictions for Protective and Other Commercial Purposes. July 1950. Price $0.15. (GATT/1950-3). This item is out of print in English and French.


Note: subsequent reports in this series are reproduced in the Supplements to Basic Instruments and Selected Documents.
Review of Import Restrictions under Articles XII:4(b) and XVIII:12(b).
Report Adopted by the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their Fourteenth Session
in May 1959

The review is a factual survey, made in 1958–59, of the use of import restrictions and discrimination by certain contracting parties, to protect their balance-of-payments position.

Part I discusses the financial background of the restrictions and discriminations, changes in the use of restrictions in recent years and the current level of restrictions and discriminations. Part II contains separate notes describing the restrictions in force as at the end of 1958 or early in 1959, in the twenty-five contracting parties resorting to Article XII or Article XVIII:B at that time. These contracting parties were Australia, Austria, Brazil, Burma, Ceylon, Chile, Denmark, Finland, France, Ghana, Greece, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Federation of Malaya, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, Sweden, Turkey, Union of South Africa, United Kingdom, Uruguay.

The review is published in its original mimeographed form, bound in one volume. It is available only from the GATT secretariat.

Review of Import Restrictions under Articles XII:4(b) and XVIII:12(b).

Tariffs


Note: a document (MGT/59/122), issued in November 1959, which brings up-to-date the text of the above publication is available, free of charge, from the GATT secretariat.


GATT TARIFF SCHEDULES

The Schedules to the GATT record the bound rates of customs duties resulting from the concessions negotiated by the governments which are contracting parties to the GATT. There have been four main tariff negotiating conferences, held at Geneva in 1947, Annecy in 1949, Torquay in 1950-51 and at Geneva in 1956. (The 1960-61 Tariff Conference is currently in progress). The Schedules resulting from the first three of these conferences, which are annexed to the Agreement and to the Annecy and Torquay Protocols respectively, have been consolidated in a single text, namely the Consolidated Schedules of Tariff Concessions, which was published by the CONTRACTING PARTIES in January 1952. Price $15.00 per set of five volumes. English or French. (GATT/1952-1).

In June 1955 a Protocol of Terms of Accession of Japan to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade was drawn up. This, together with Annexes setting out the tariff concessions of contracting parties and Japan, respectively, is available only from the GATT secretariat. English or French. Price $0.60.

The concessions resulting from the Geneva tariff conference held in 1956 are contained in the Sixth Protocol of Supplementary Concessions to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Available only from the GATT secretariat. English and French. Price $2.50.

The concessions resulting from the tariff negotiations held during 1958 for the provisional accession of Switzerland are contained in the Declaration on the Provisional Accession of the Swiss Confederation to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, to which the Schedules of participating governments are annexed. Available only from the GATT secretariat. English and French combined. Price $2.00.
Supplementary Concessions. From time to time the GATT secretariat publishes Protocols of Supplementary Tariff Concessions. Details are available from the GATT secretariat on request.

Rectifications and Modifications. From time to time the GATT secretariat publishes Protocols of Rectifications and Modifications to the texts of the Schedules. In 1959 the Eighth Protocol and Ninth Protocol were published. Details are available from the GATT secretariat on request.

**TRADE INTELLIGENCE PAPERS**

From time to time the GATT secretariat makes public the Trade Intelligence Papers prepared by the Trade Intelligence Division. Copies of these papers, which are usually mimeographed, are available from the secretariat on application, in English or French.

No. 1 Tentative Estimates on the Commodity Composition of International Trade 1951-53 (July 1954)

No. 2 The Role in World Trade of the dependent Overseas Territories (October 1954)

No. 3 Imports of Manufactured Goods by the United States 1945 to mid-1954 (February 1955)

No. 4 The World Market for Textiles 1938-1953 (March 1955)

No. 5 Further Tentative Estimates of the Commodity Composition of International Trade and Presentation of a World Network of Trade in Constant Prices (October 1955)

No. 6 The Possible Impact of the European Economic Community, in particular the Common Market, on World Trade (December 1957). The English version of this Paper is available only in a printed edition, price Sw.fr.2.00.

OUT OF STOCK - in English: Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

in French: Nos. 2, 3, 4.
MISCELLANEOUS PUBLICATIONS

International Convention to Facilitate the Importation of Commercial Samples and Advertising Material

The CONTRACTING PARTIES drew up and opened for signature, in 1953, the so-called Samples Convention, the broad purpose of which is to minimize the costs and reduce the formalities and delays which traders and merchants may face in sending samples and advertising material from one country to another. The Convention entered into force on November 1955. Available only from the GATT secretariat. Price $0.10. English and French combined.


INFORMATION PAPERS AND BROCHURES

All the information papers and brochures are available on request, free of charge.


This twenty-page summary, written in simple language, is brought up-to-date at the beginning of each year when a revised edition is issued.

GATT Bibliography. A list of books, pamphlets, articles, newspaper reports and editorials, and miscellaneous items including texts of lectures which refer to the GATT. The first edition was issued in 1954 and covers the period 1947-1953. A Supplement to the Bibliography was issued in August 1955; a Second Supplement in August 1956; a Third Supplement in August 1957; a Fourth Supplement in August 1958; a Fifth Supplement in August 1959; and a Sixth Supplement in August 1960. English language only.

The following are recent addresses and articles by the Executive Secretary and Deputy Executive Secretary, in order of date:

The First Ten Years of the GATT, an address by Mr. Eric Wyndham White, Executive Secretary, at the London School of Economics and Political Science, London, May 1958. Also available in French.


The Removal of Obstacles to International Trade: the Role of the General Agreement. Note by the Executive Secretary of GATT submitted to the Inter-Parliamentary Union. April 1959. Also available in French.

International Trade: Challenge and Response. Address by Mr. Eric Wyndham White, Executive Secretary, at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Massachusetts, May 1959. Also available in French.


Looking Outwards. Address by Mr. Eric Wyndham White, Executive Secretary, delivered before the General Export Association of Sweden, Stockholm, April 1960. Also available in French.

Europe in the GATT. Address by Mr. Eric Wyndham White, Executive Secretary, delivered under the auspices of Europe House, London, May 1960. Also available in French.

Commercial Policies for the Nineteen-Sixties. Address by Mr. Eric Wyndham White, Executive Secretary, delivered under the auspices of the Centre italien d’Études pour la Réconciliation internationale, Rome, June 1960. Also available in French.

The Stabilization of the Prices of Primary Commodities. Note by the secretariat of the GATT prepared for a meeting of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, Athens, April 1960. Also available in French.

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