Possibility of Danish-Norwegian-Swedish Customs Union

The following statement has been received today by the Contracting Parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade:

"The Danish, Norwegian and Swedish Delegations to the Tariff Negotiations at Annecy have the honour, according to instructions from their Governments, to inform the Contracting Parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade that their countries are examining the possibilities of establishing a common Scandinavian Customs Tariff with a view to entering into a Scandinavian Customs Union possibly including Iceland.

"The result of these examinations may in due time necessitate the taking up, in accordance with the provisions in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, of negotiations on adjustments in the obligations which the above-mentioned countries might undertake by tariff negotiations pursuant to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

"The Governments of Denmark, Norway and Sweden have considered it desirable to bring this to the knowledge of the Contracting Parties."