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GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE
Fifth Session of the Contracting Parties

FIFTH SESSION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES OPENED

At 3 p.m. today, at the Marine Spa, Torquay, the Chairman of the Contracting Parties to the General Agreement declared open the 5th Session. A summary of the opening remarks of Mr. Wilgress, the Chairman, is given in press release Torquay 13. The Contracting Parties agreed to invite Yugoslavia to send an observer to participate without a vote in the current Session. This would increase to 45 the number of countries which may attend this Session, in addition to representatives of the United Nations, the International Monetary Fund and the Organization for European Economic Cooperation.

The Contracting Parties approved an agenda composed of some 30 items and established an order of business for the immediate future.

It is hoped that a background guidance to the agenda, item by item, will be released to the press early next week.

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