GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE
Torquay Tariff Negotiations

FIRST MEETING OF TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

The Heads of Delegations met today and resolved themselves into the Tariff Negotiations Committee.

The Committee elected its own Chairman and three Vice Chairmen, as follows:-

Chairman Hon. L. Dana Wilgress, Leader of the Delegation of Canada. (Proposed by the delegate of Chile and seconded by the delegates of Pakistan, Uruguay and the Philippines)

First Vice Chairman Mr. Carl Olof Gisle, Chairman of the Delegation of Sweden. (Proposed by the delegate of Belgium)

Vice Chairman Dr. Julio M. Troncoso, Leader of the Delegation of the Dominican Republic. (Proposed by the delegate of Brazil)

Vice Chairman Hon. Pio Pedrosa, Leader of the Delegation of the Philippines. (Proposed by the delegate of India)

The Committee approved their Rules of Procedure and set up a Tariff Negotiations Working Party, which is charged with the actual conduct of the negotiations, the programme for the initial exchange of offers and the first meetings between the negotiating teams.

The Tariff Negotiations Working Party will be composed of representatives of the following countries:

Australia
Benelux
Brazil
Canada
Denmark
France
Germany
India
United Kingdom
United States
Uruguay

The Working Party will elect its own chairman. It will meet this afternoon.