Notification by Sweden

The following communication has been received from the Leader of the delegation of Sweden:

"I have been instructed by the Swedish Government to inform the contracting parties that it desires to enter into negotiations pursuant to the procedures of Article XXVIII of the General Agreement for the purpose of withdrawing certain tariff concessions appearing in Schedule XXX to that Agreement.

"The annexed table gives details of the concessions to be withdrawn and of the contracting parties with which these concessions were initially negotiated, as well as statistics showing the value of Swedish imports according to country of origin of the commodities concerned.

"The concessions indicated under Swedish Tariff item No. 67:6 (fresh apples from February 1 to June 30) were originally negotiated with the United States of America, Australia and New Zealand. However, the concessions granted to Australia and New Zealand refer only to a period of time extending from April 1 to June 30, for which period the Swedish Government does not wish to withdraw the concessions granted. Consequently, the Swedish Government does not propose to enter into negotiations with the Governments of Australia or New Zealand but only with the Government of the United States.

"Details of the concessions which the Swedish Government would be prepared to offer as compensation for the concessions to be withdrawn will be communicated to you at an early date."