Report on Proposed Definition of Origin

Since the date on which the report in W.9/125 was prepared, the Australian delegation has informed the Technical Group that a definition of the type considered by the Technical Group would be unacceptable to the Australian Government, which is opposed in principle to the proposed definition.

The Technical Group has also received a statement from the delegation of Indonesia indicating that the proposed definition is acceptable to the Indonesian Government as it is in accordance with their existing regulations.

The following changes should therefore be made in document W.9/125:

1. In paragraph 6 on page 1 in which the countries are enumerated from which no replies have been received Indonesia should be omitted.

2. On page 2, in the enumeration of countries which are in favour of the proposed definition, between Greece and Luxemburg, Indonesia should be inserted with the following terms:

   Indonesia - the proposed definition is acceptable to the Indonesian Government as it is in accordance with existing regulations.

3. On page 2, in the enumeration of countries which consider the proposed definition of origin cannot be accepted without modification, Australia (including the related remark) should be omitted.

4. On page 3, at the beginning of the enumeration of countries which are opposed in principle to the proposed definition, Australia should be inserted with the following terms:

   Australia - opposed in principle to the proposed definition.

5. On page 4, the "Conclusions" should be revised to read as follows:

   The replies summarized above may be tabled as follows:

   Countries which favour the proposed definition without reservation 11
   Countries which consider that the proposed definition cannot be accepted without modification 9
   Countries which are opposed in principle 8
   Countries which have not replied 7