Balance-of-Payments Import Restrictions

56. Would the Polish Government contemplate

(a) that if they entered into minimum purchase commitments on accession, their range and volume would be increased as Poland's general economic situation improved (as would be expected in respect of quantitative restrictions imposed by a contracting party under Article XII as its balance-of-payments situation improves), or

(b) that the amounts of the minimum purchase commitments would be subject to reduction in circumstances in which an existing contracting party is entitled to restrict imports for balance-of-payments reasons under Article XII.

57. If (b) is contemplated, can the Polish Government indicate what in their view would constitute an adverse balance-of-payments situation for a country whose external trade is carried on entirely by State-trading. In this connexion, can the Polish Government indicate what Poland's balance-of-payments position is at the present time.