Committee II - Expansion of Trade

OUTLINE FOR DISCUSSION

At its last meeting the Committee agreed to undertake, during the October meeting, an analysis on a global basis of the general effects of agricultural policies and systems applied by individual countries on international trade in dairy products, cereals, meat, fish, vegetable oil, and sugar (see document L/1192, paragraphs 5, 6 and 19).

The Committee decided to carry out this analysis by taking up each commodity separately and in the order indicated above. It was also agreed that without excluding the possibility of discussing other relevant aspects to concentrate discussion on the effects on international trade under the following headings:

1. How widespread is the use of non-tariff devices affecting this product? Which devices predominate?

2. What have been the developments in respect of this commodity for:
   (a) production
   (b) consumption
   (c) trade
   (d) movement of stocks
   (e) prices

3. What role did non-tariff measures play in the foregoing developments?

4. What indirect effects did non-tariff measures have in the country employing them, and on other markets?

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