1. Less-developed countries wishing to participate in the trade negotiations in terms of the Conclusions embodied in the ministerial Resolution of 6 May 1964, as well as of the provisions of the proposed Part IV contained in the Protocol of Amendment to the General Agreement, agree to present by an agreed date, which could tentatively be fixed as 15 April 1965, an indication of the contribution they are willing to make to the overall objective of trade liberalization, subject to the rules and procedures set out below.

2. (a) Developed contracting parties agree to make available to the participating less-developed countries, their list of exceptions/offers together with their statements concerning the reasons for such exceptions, by the end of January 1965.

(b) The report of the Chairman of the Trade Negotiations Committee will also be made available to the participating less-developed countries by the end of January 1965.

3. Contracting parties, both developed and less-developed, wishing to do so, might also present, by an agreed date, their list of suggestions relating to the contribution which the participating less-developed countries might make to the objective of trade liberalization.

4. After the lists of exceptions made available by the industrialized countries have been studied by participating less-developed countries, the latter will be given an opportunity to seek justification for the inclusion of such items in the lists of exceptions as are of interest to their export trade. This process of justification and confrontation should take place on a multilateral basis and it is suggested that it should be completed by 15 March 1965.
5. It is recognized that negotiating arrangements in respect of agricultural products may not take shape for some time and consequently the extent to which the trade negotiations will make a contribution to the problems of less-developed countries in the field of agriculture may not be fully known by April 1965. It would accordingly be open to less-developed countries with a predominant interest in agricultural products, either to make any indication of the contribution they are prepared to make conditional on satisfactory arrangements being developed for agriculture, or to give only a partial indication of the contribution they might make, reserving for themselves the possibility of adding to their contribution in the light of the benefits to their trade in agricultural products which subsequent negotiations might offer.

6. After less-developed countries have indicated the contribution they are prepared to make, they will take part in the trade negotiations in the ordinary course in accordance with rules and techniques developed for these negotiations. These techniques may involve negotiations between a number of countries, both developed and less-developed, simultaneously, for instance, in regard to such products as tropical products or cotton textiles.

7. Less-developed countries who have an interest in trade in agricultural products would continue to be members of the Sub-Committee charged with the responsibility of evolving acceptable rules for negotiation on these products. On the basis of their interest in the trade in particular agricultural products, it will be open to less-developed countries to seek participation in any commodity arrangements, etc. which might be negotiated for such items. Similarly it would remain open to less-developed countries who are interested in the problem of non-tariff barriers, to participate in the work of the Sub-Committee on Non-Tariff Barriers and also to discuss all relevant questions in the Special Group on Trade in Tropical Products.

8. The Sub-Committee on the Participation of Less-Developed Countries would meet as and when necessary to review the progress of the negotiations in the light of the considerations and submissions developed in that body.