1(a). In an overall gradual liberalization and elimination of quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects), as well as export restraints by developed countries, shall be undertaken in step with progress reached in the preparation and in the course of the multilateral trade negotiations. Each individual developed contracting party shall contribute according to the relative importance of its quantitative restrictions of all types.

(b) In implementing sub-paragraph (a), effective priority shall be given to:
(i) quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects), as well as export restraints affecting exports of developing countries;
(ii) discriminatory quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects) as well as export restraints.

1(a). Illegal quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects), as well as illegal export restraints, shall be removed before the beginning of the multilateral trade negotiations. Countries maintaining such restrictions after the beginning of the negotiations shall be required to:
(i) seek waivers of their GATT obligations, or
(ii) pay appropriate compensation. Countries obtaining waivers shall nevertheless be subject, as is customary, to the provisions of Article XXIII.

(b) An overall plan for the elimination of quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects) as well as export restraints inconsistent with the General Agreement but legal under waivers or protocols of accession shall be the subject of negotiations in the multilateral trade negotiations.
2. Progressive quota increases and continued liberalization of trade in embargoed products shall be put into operation with regard to quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects) as well as export restraints.

3. In no event shall new quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects) inconsistent with the General Agreement be introduced, nor shall the restrictive element of existing quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects) be increased, unless the increase is consistent with the General Agreement.

4. Trade liberalization resulting from the implementation of the preceding paragraphs shall not be impaired or nullified by the introduction of other trade inhibiting measures.

(c) In implementing sub-paragraphs (a) and (b), effective priority shall be given to:

(i) quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects) as well as export restraints affecting exports of developing countries;

(ii) discriminatory quantitative restrictions (including embargoes and measures having embargo effects) as well as export restraints.