UNITED STATES IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS


Corrigendum

It has been proposed that paragraph 40 of the draft report should be deleted and that the following paragraphs should be inserted.

40. Members of the Working Party expressed regret that the United States had been opposed to any change in the system of import restrictions in respect of measures applied to certain products (e.g. sugar) for which the other members of the Working Party had reached the conclusion that the measures were incompatible with the provisions of the waiver.

41. In view of the fact that the results of the Working Party in the three preceding decades had not led to elimination or substantial easing of the restrictions, members of the Working Party expressed the opinion that the Committee on Trade in Agriculture could probably be an appropriate and more effective forum for arriving at elimination or easing of the restrictions applied by the United States under the waiver to the extent that, in the new round of multilateral trade negotiations, the agricultural negotiation would be taking place in that body. Nevertheless, those members expressed some doubt as to the consistency of the position of the United States which, for other matters such as export subsidies, was calling for the possibility of concurrent discussions in a specifically agricultural forum and in a general forum in regard to subsidies, while in respect of the waiver regarding import restrictions, the agricultural forum seemed to them the only appropriate one.
42. Members of the Working Party called on the United States to propose to the Working Party solutions it was prepared to envisage in the specific body with responsibility for the agricultural negotiation in the new round of multilateral trade negotiations with a view to eliminating or easing the restrictions applied by the United States under the waiver, and accordingly considered that the Working Party should continue its work.