SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SECOND MEETING

Held at the Sankei Kaikan, Tokyo, on Tuesday, 27 October 1959 at 10 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. Aichiro FUJIYAMA (Japan)

Subject discussed: Agenda for Ministerial Meeting:

1. Current trends in international trade (the discussions to be based upon International Trade 1957/58) and perspectives for international trade and commercial policy in the light of the restoration of external convertibility in the currencies of a number of contracting parties and of the fiscal and exchange reforms undertaken in others.

2. Progress in the implementation of the programme for trade expansion.

3. Programmes for economic integration through trade liberalization on a regional basis and harmonization of these programmes with the world-wide objectives of the GATT.

4. Consideration of the principal items on the agenda for the session.

The CHAIRMAN, having thanked the CONTRACTING PARTIES for appointing him as Chairman for the Ministers' meeting, drew attention to document L/1044 which contained the above agenda for the meeting.

The following statements were made:

The Hon. Douglas DILLON
Under-Secretary of State,
United States (cf. Spec(59)222)

The Hon. Dr. N. DIEDERICHs
Minister of Economic Affairs,
Union of South Africa (cf. Spec(59)220)

H.E. Mr. Giovanni SPAGNOLLI, Senator
Under-Secretary of State,
Ministry of Foreign Trade,
Italy (cf. Spec(59)213)
Mr. Herman KLING  
Minister without portfolio,  
Sweden  
(cf. Spec(59)217)

Dr. Fritz BOCK  
Minister for Trade and Reconstruction,  
Austria  
(cf. Spec(59)221)

The meeting adjourned at 12.35 p.m.