Subjects discussed:

1. Progress of the negotiations
2. Text of the draft protocol
3. Opening for signature of the protocol
4. Report to the CONTRACTING PARTIES

1. Progress of the negotiations

The representative of Brazil indicated that his delegation had concluded negotiations with Australia, Canada and the Union of South Africa. He expected to hear soon from the United Kingdom and the United States. He wished to stress before the Committee his Government's desire that the protocol embodying the results of the negotiations be opened in the immediate future. An extension of the waiver from 14 August 1958 to 31 July 1959 had already been granted by the CONTRACTING PARTIES and it would be regrettable if the conclusion of the remaining negotiations were so much delayed as to make it necessary for Brazil to apply to the CONTRACTING PARTIES for a further extension.

2. Text of the draft protocol (TNB/23 and TNB/24)

In view of the need for Brazil to put the results of the negotiations before its Congress as soon as possible, the Chairman proposed an amendment to the draft protocol which would make it possible to annex to the protocol the results of negotiations not completed at the time the protocol was opened for signature. The Committee adopted the proposed text which reads as follows:

"8. Should certain negotiations not be completed in time to be annexed to this Protocol when it is opened for signature, the schedules of concessions resulting from these negotiations shall be annexed to this Protocol, and shall be governed by the provisions thereof, as from the day following the signature of a Procès-Verbal by the government concerned and by the Government of Brazil."
3. Opening for signature of the protocol

The representative of the United Kingdom suggested that the protocol be opened for signature on 31 December 1958. He hoped that it would be possible by then to complete the negotiations his Government was conducting with Brazil. The Committee agreed that the protocol be opened for signature on 31 December 1958.

4. Report to the CONTRACTING PARTIES

The Chairman was instructed, in conformity with paragraph 3 of the Waiver, to report to the CONTRACTING PARTIES, on the results of the negotiations.¹

The Committee would hold one further meeting after the protocol had been opened for signature in order to prepare its final report which would be submitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their Fourteenth Session.