ORDER OF BUSINESS

Proposals by the Executive Secretary

1. A number of Committees and Working Parties, previously appointed, which are to meet during the session can proceed with their work without any prior discussion of the subject matter of their mandate. These are:

(i) Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions

The Committee was convened on 17 October and will continue with its programme of consultations through the first week of the session.

(ii) Committee II

The Committee has submitted a report, but during the session it will carry out consultations with Cambodia and India.

(iii) Working Party on Latin American Free Trade Area

The Working Party held two meetings during the sixteenth session and will resume its work on Wednesday, 2 November.

(iv) Working Party on Avoidance of Market Disruption

The Working Party met for one week in September. It will meet again during the session and will submit a report to the CONTRACTING PARTIES.

(v) Working Party on Restrictive Business Practices

It is suggested that the Working Party hold its first meeting on Monday, 7 November.

(vi) Working Parties on Accession

In September the Council arranged for the requests for accession by Argentina and Ireland to be examined by Working Parties. These will meet during the session and reports will be submitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES.
(vii) **Working Party on Commodities**

Unless the CONTRACTING PARTIES decide otherwise, the Working Party will meet early in the session.

2. Several other items on the agenda will require examination by Working Parties. It is proposed that as many as possible of these should be taken up in a plenary meeting on Tuesday, 1 November in order that the Working Parties may be appointed especially:

   - Item 20: Temporary importation of professional equipment
   - Item 28 (d): United States import restrictions
   - Item 36: Financial, budgetary and administrative questions

3. In addition to the items listed in paragraph 2, it is proposed that the following items be taken up in plenary meetings during the first week:

   - Item 2: Programme for expansion of trade
   - Item 4: Elimination of import restrictions
   - Item 6: Article 1VIII - extension requested by Ceylon
   - Item 7: Paris economic meetings
   - Item 14: Disposal of commodity surpluses
   - Item 17: Subsidies
   - Item 21: French trading arrangements with Morocco
   - Item 22: Italian customs treatment for imports of Somalian products
   - Item 23: Turkish tariff reform
   - Item 24: Chilean import charges
   - Item 25: New Zealand schedule
   - Item 28 (a): German import restrictions