At its last meeting the GATT Committee on Trade in Civil Aircraft noted that in 1984 it should address the question of converting the Annex to the Agreement on Trade in Civil Aircraft into the nomenclature format of the Harmonized System. Indeed, some members of the Committee have begun preparation of concordances between the tariff items in the present Annex and those that will be appropriate when the Harmonized System is adopted. We hope that a great deal of this work will be completed prior to our 20 March 1984 meeting. It may be appropriate to have a technical discussion of this concordance question on 20 or 21 March.

To facilitate discussion at our meeting of 20-22 March, we submit the following suggested schedule for converting the Annex to the Harmonized System:

- **February-March 1984** - Delegations consider concordance between their present Annex sections and the Harmonized System, and how the Aircraft Agreement concessions will be reflected in their national tariffs upon adoption of the Harmonized System.

- **20-22 March 1984** - Committee discussion (1) of how to proceed with developing an Annex in the format of the Harmonized System and (2) of how the Aircraft Agreement concessions will be reflected in national tariffs, when they are in the format of the Harmonized System.

- **April 1984** - Preparation of a draft Annex in the Harmonized System format.

- **May 1984** - Members review and comment on the converted draft Annex.

- **June 1984** - Comments compiled and circulated (it is quite possible that some adjustment in the product coverage of the Annex will be required).
October 1984 - Committee discussion (1) of the draft converted Annex and (2) of how the national tariffs will reflect Aircraft Agreement concessions, when the national tariffs are in the format of the Harmonized System.

1985 - Negotiation of adjustments as necessary to convert Aircraft Agreement concessions in the present tariff nomenclatures to the Harmonized System.

1986 - National approvals of the amendment to the Aircraft Agreement which replaces the present Annex with the new Annex in the Harmonized System.

1 January 1987 - The new Annex in the Harmonized System to become effective, contingent upon international implementation of the Harmonized System.