Committee of the Protocol Regarding Certain Cheeses

Report to the International Dairy Products Council

1. In pursuance of Article VII:2(a) of the Arrangement and Rule 22 of the Rules of Procedure, the Committee has prepared the present report on its twenty-second session.

2. The Committee held its twenty-second session on 17 June 1985.

3. The Committee adopted the agenda proposed in airgram GATT/AIR/2166 and adopted the report on its twenty-first session.

4. The Committee reviewed the replies to the questionnaire and requested members which had not yet communicated information for the first quarter of 1985 to do so without delay. The Committee took note of the summary tables prepared by the secretariat.

5. An exchange of information and views took place in the Committee regarding the market situation for products covered by the Protocol. Among the salient points characterizing the market situation, the Committee noted that international prices of Cheddar cheese had tended to stabilize and were even expected to increase.

6. The Committee took note of information furnished by New Zealand and South Africa regarding operations under Article 7:2 of the Protocol.

7. The next sessions of the Committees will be held consecutively from 23 to 25 September 1985, subject to confirmation by the secretariat.