The following communication dated 22 December 1987, has been received by the secretariat from the Australian Permanent Mission.

In accordance with the agreement reached at the Committee of the Protocol Regarding Milk Fat on 15 December 1987, my authorities wish to notify the Committee that:

The Australian dairy industry has concluded contracts for the sale of unsalted butter to a number of destinations and part of this package includes sales to the USSR at prices below the International Dairy Arrangement minimum. Delivery details are not yet finalized, but the total quantities shipped to the USSR at prices below the International Dairy Arrangement minimum will not exceed Australia's traditional level of exports to that market. Delivery will be finalized in early 1988. Details of notifiable tonnages finally shipped will be provided to the GATT secretariat when available.