The following communication has been received from the delegation of Sweden and contains information on several new Swedish laws.

**Ordinance 1984:53**

This ordinance is to be applied if the Government or, after decision by the Government, the National Agricultural Market Board of the Board of Commerce prescribe that goods are not allowed to be imported or exported without permission (Import licence or Export licence) by the National Agricultural Market Board or the Board of Commerce (licensing authorities).

Regulations will be prescribed

1. for special trade policy reasons
2. in view of risk of disturbance in the social economy or the national supply or
3. in order to regulate the prices of agricultural products or fish products

Further detailed information can be found in document L/5640/Add.14. A copy of the referenced ordinances is available for consultation in the GATT secretariat (Centre William Rappard, Office No. 1059).
Ordinance 1984:54

As follows from ordinance 1984:53 exports and imports can take place without permission unless the Government or, after a decision by the Government the National Agriculture Market Board or the Board of Commerce prescribe that a licence is required in order to export or import. In ordinance 1984:54 are listed those products for which licences are required. The ordinance (as regards imports) could be summarized as follows:

For imports from most State-trading countries, i.a. Poland, Romania, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, a licence is required for the following goods:

cement; a limited number of chemical products, certain plastics; most yarns, fabrics, knitwear and ready-made textiles; shoes with outer soles of leather, artificial leather, rubber or plastics; table china; pig iron, most ferro-alloys, rolling mill products, including tubes of iron or steel, certain semi-manufactures of aluminium; AC motors, triphase; graphite electrodes.

The importation of certain textile products from all countries other than EEC and EFTA countries (excluding Portugal and Greece) and the Faroe Islands requires an import licence for surveillance purposes.

Special regulations are valid for importation of certain textile products from Brazil, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Macao, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritius, Pakistan, the Philippines, Portugal, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Yugoslavia.
Ordinance 1984:55

The importation of certain products of iron and steel requires an import licence for surveillance purposes.

Ordinance 1984:56

The importation of coffee is subject to requirement of import licence and certificate of origin when the regulations in the Coffee Agreement are being applied.