1. The first biennial review of the implementation and operation of the Agreement under Article 5.5 was conducted by the Committee at its meeting on 9-10 November 1981. The results of the review were incorporated in the minutes of the meeting (LIC/M/5) and in a basic document circulated as LIC/5.

2. It is suggested that the second biennial review to be held next autumn (the suggested dates for the ninth meeting of the Committee are 6-7 October 1983) should follow the arrangements agreed by the Committee for the first biennial review (LIC/W/8, LIC/M/3 and LIC/M/4) and should deal with the items listed in the table of contents of LIC/5.

3. In order to facilitate the preparations by signatories for, and the conduct of, the second biennial review, the secretariat will prepare a background document which will consolidate all relevant information submitted by signatories on their import licensing procedures as well as on any action taken by them under the Agreement. The proposed document will follow the layout of the document for the first biennial review (LIC/5) and will contain a systematic guide by way of references to data available to the Committee on 1 August 1983 and included in:

(a) replies to the GATT Questionnaire on Import Licensing Procedures (listed in L/5106/Rev.2);
(b) notifications made to the Committee under Article 5.4 (LIC/1 and Addenda);
(c) publications used and texts available for consultation in the secretariat (listed in LIC/3, LIC/3/Corr.1 and 2 and LIC/3/Add.1 to 7);
(d) information regarding public notice (LIC/4/Rev.2), and
(e) any relevant statements made by signatories under item-by-item examinations of the implementation and operation of the Agreement in the normal course of the Committee's work and as reported in the minutes of the meetings (LIC/M/1 to LIC/M/8).

4. Signatories are invited to communicate to the secretariat any additional data they may wish to be included in the background document for the review by 29 July 1983 at the latest. The background document will be issued by the middle of August 1983. It will be revised as required after the review session, to take into account any additional points raised during the review.