COMMUNICATION FROM THE DELEGATION OF CHILE

The following communication, dated 25 January 1979, has been received from the delegation of Chile for circulation to MTN participants.

DECLARATION

After having analyzed the development of the GATT Multilateral Trade Negotiations, Chile considers it possible to be able to concretize its offer to bind its customs tariff as a whole at a level in the vicinity of 40 per cent. Nevertheless, depending on the response to the requests it has presented to various countries and on the contributions to be made in general by the various parties, it considers that the said binding could be lower than 40 per cent.

It should be underlined that, whatever the final offer of Chile may be, it will be implemented immediately and in full, with the sole exception of a few headings in Chapter 87 of the customs tariff which are covered by the motor vehicle industry statute. With respect to these headings, the offer would be concretized upon the expiry of the commitments laid down in that statute.