The following communication has been received from the Secretary-General of UNCTAD.

At its eighth session, the Special Committee on Preferences requested me to transmit to governments and to the Director-General of GATT, for use by GATT bodies as they consider appropriate, the study by the UNCTAD Secretariat (TD/B/C.5/52 and Corr.1) entitled "The generalized system of preferences and the multilateral trade negotiations".

For your information I enclose a copy of the report of the Special Committee, where you will find this decision recorded in paragraph 201. The study in question has already been given general distribution to all States members of UNCTAD and hence of GATT. In accordance with the Committee's decision I am now transmitting it formally to you for use by GATT bodies as appropriate.