The following proposal has been received from the Permanent Mission of Czechoslovakia.

A. Proposals before the Sub-Group

Operative provisions

Section 2

paragraph (e)(i) and (ii) - Replace sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) with
(Czechoslovakia) the following text:

"(i) publish a notice in an official publication at an early appropriate stage that they are preparing the particular technical regulation, including a brief indication of the objective and rationale of the proposed technical regulation."

Consequential amendments should be made to section 9(d)(i) and (ii).

Notification procedures should be as simple as possible and avoid unnecessary duplication or administrative procedures unnecessary for the achievement of the objectives of the code. They also should be consistent with commercial realities. The inclusion in the notice to be published in an official publication also of the brief indication of the objective and rationale of the proposed technical regulation will have identical or similar effect as a notification through the GATT secretariat. Thus this separate notification would become redundant.