THIRD COMMITTEE: COMMERCIAL POLICY

SUB-COMMITTEE A
(Articles 16 and 17)

Alternative Proposals*

Article 16 - General Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment

1. France
   (1) In the second paragraph of the Note to Annex A, delete the words: "...to replace a margin of preference in an internal tax existing on April 1947 exclusively between two or more of the territories listed in this Annex or...".
   (2) Delete the note to Annex D.
   (3) Add the following to paragraph 3:
       "The margin of preference may, however, be increased to the level strictly necessary to compensate for the elimination of preferential internal taxes under Article 18."

2. United States
   Amend the note to Annex D as follows:
   The imposition of a margin of tariff preference to replace a margin of preference in an internal tax existing on 10 April 1947 exclusively between two or more of the territories listed in this Annex, shall not be deemed to constitute an increase in a margin of tariff preference contrary to the provisions of paragraph 3 of Article 16, it being understood that any such margin of preference shall be subject to the provisions of Article 17.

* Arising out of the Cuban amendments to Annexes A and D pertaining to Article 16 (Item 6, Revised Annotated Agenda for Chapter IV, Section A, document E/CONF.2/C.3/6).