THIRD COMMITTEE: COMMERCIAL POLICY

SUB-COMMITTEE A (ARTICLES 16, 17, 18, 19)

AGENDA FOR THE NINTH MEETING

To be held on Saturday, 27 December 1947, 10:30 a.m.

(Note: References are to items in Revised Annotated Agenda, Section A, document E/CONF.2/C.3/6)

ARTICLE 17 - REDUCTION OF TARIFFS AND ELIMINATION OF PREFERENCES

1. Amendments to rules for negotiations; exemptions from requirement to negotiate; criteria for determining failure to negotiate
   Items 28 and 40 - economic development (Haiti) (Chile)
   Items 31 (iv), 32 and 33 (i) - ad valorem basis (Mexico) and automatic tariff reductions through currency depreciation (Colombia) (Peru)
   Items 28, 34, 40 and 41 - revenue tariffs (Haiti), (Ceylon) (Chile) (El Salvador)
   Item 40 - balance of payments and monetary reserves (Chile)
   Item 36 - revision of negotiated agreements because of economic conditions (Mexico)
   Item 42 - adjustment of custom duties to compensate for internal taxes or charges reduced or eliminated under Articles 18 and 35 (Venezuela)
   (see document E/CONF.2/C.3/6, Corr.2)
   Suggested revision of paragraph 1 (c) (France) (E/CONF.2/C.3/A/W.12)
   Suggested new sub-paragraph 1 (e) and new paragraph 4 (United States) (E/CONF.2/C.3/A/W.7)
   Suggested additions to rules for negotiations (Mexico) (E/CONF.2/C.3/A/W.13)
   Suggested redraft of Article 17 (Australia) (E/CONF.2/C.3/A/W.9)

2. Failure to negotiate; role of Organization (Tariff Committee)
   Item 26 - second sentence (Uruguay)
   Item 38 - (Uruguay)
   Item 39 - (Peru)
   Item 43 - (Peru and Uruguay)

3. Relationship of new or existing bilateral agreements to obligations under Article 17
   Items 45 and 47 - (Norway and Geneva Note)

/4. Relationship
4. Relationship of negotiations leading to General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to obligations under Article 17
Item 44 - (United States)