THIRD COMMITTEE: COMMERCIAL POLICY

SUB-COMMITTEE E (ARTICLES 20 AND 22)

REPORT OF WORKING PARTY NO. 6 ON ITEM 23 (CHILE) AND ITEM 24 (GENEVA DRAFT NOTE)

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Item 23

1. The delegation of Chile proposed the addition of the following sentence to paragraph 2 of Article 20:

"Restrictions applied under (d) of the present Article shall be strictly limited to periods during which the circumstances referred to therein prevail and shall not be imposed on seasonal articles of consumption when like domestic products are not available."

2. The Working Group, composed of the delegates for Chile, Netherlands, Peru, the United Kingdom and the United States agreed to submit for the acceptance of the Sub-Committee the following wording to be added after (c) (iii) of paragraph 2 of Article 20:

"Restrictions on imports under sub-paragraph 2 (c) of this Article shall be applied only as long as the governmental measures referred to in this sub-paragraph are in force. Restrictions applied under sub-paragraph 2 (c) on the import of products, the supply of which is subject to seasonal variation, shall not be operated in such a way as to prevent their import in quantities sufficient to satisfy demand for current consumption purposes during those periods of the year when like domestic products, or domestic products for which the imported product can be directly substituted, are not available."

Item 24 (in relation with the Note on paragraph 2 (c) of Article 20 appended to the Geneva Draft).

The Working Group decided to wait with the final recommendation on this note until Working Party No. 1 of this Sub-Committee has finished its task.