Termination of the Bilateral Stage of Tariff Negotiations

Procedures have been established for Delegations to exchange among themselves and to provide the Secretariat with copies of their original lists of offers of tariff concessions as well as of subsequent changes or their additions to such offers.

As it is expected that the bilateral stage of tariff negotiations will be terminating in a progressively increasing number of cases, it is important that Delegations, together with the Secretariat, should be able to check their records in respect of such negotiations with the lists agreed in each bilateral negotiation.

The Working Party, therefore, recommends that, when notifying the Secretariat of the termination of the bilateral stage of any negotiation, the two Delegations should jointly forward to the Secretariat a copy of the lists of tariff concessions on the basis of which agreement has provisionally been reached. Delegations are also requested to forward a copy of such lists to each other Delegation participating in the negotiations.

Lists in respect of negotiations which have already reached the termination of the bilateral stage, should be forwarded to the Secretariat and to Delegations not later than August 23, 1947.