Recommendations by the Tariff Negotiations Working Party

Delegations which are not undertaking their own translations are reminded that consolidated lists should be submitted to the Secretariat for translation as soon as they are ready.

In cases where the state of negotiations does not yet allow the submission of the final consolidated list, a provisional consolidated list containing the tariff item numbers and description of products, but not necessarily the rates of duty, should be submitted.

Unless Delegations comply with this recommendation, a delay in the production of the Schedules may prove inevitable.

Delegations are also reminded that the Secretariat is responsible for circulating, at fortnightly intervals, only the indication of the changes in offers which have been made in a bilateral negotiation prior to the completion of the negotiation.

It is the responsibility of the Delegations who have not circulated consolidated lists to distribute themselves, immediately after completion of each bilateral negotiation, the Final List for that negotiation to all Delegations with which they have been negotiating.