SECOND SESSION OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

DRAFT AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XXVII, PARA. 1
SUBMITTED BY THE AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION

1. On the day on which the Charter of the ITO enters into force Part II of this agreement shall be suspended and superseded by the provisions of the Charter: provided that within 60 days of the closing of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment any contracting party may object to Part II or any provision or provisions thereof being so suspended and superseded.

2. Within the 60 days after the deposit of instruments of acceptance of the Charter of the ITO by twenty governments represented at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment, the contracting parties shall confer and agree unanimously whether the provision or provisions of the Agreement to the supersession of which the contracting party has objected shall be superseded, retained or amended.

3. On November 1st, 1948, or such earlier date as may be agreed, should the Charter not have entered into force, the contracting parties shall meet to agree unanimously whether the General Agreement should be amended, supplemented or maintained.

Note:
This would also replace, in the Protocol of Signature the second part of the last paragraph.