GATT/AIR/361

21 NOVEMBER 1963

## SUBJECT: COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE

1. AS ANNOUNCED IN GATT/AIR/349, THE COTTON TEXTILES COMMITTEE WILL MEET FROM 2-6 DECEMBER 1963. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA, BEGINNING AT 3 P.M. ON MONDAY, 2 DECEMBER.

2. THE MATTERS WHICH I BELIEVE SHOULD RECEIVE CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE INCLUDE:

- (1) REVIEW OF THE OPERATION OF THE LONG-TERM ARRANGEMENT AND A REPORT TO THE CONTRACTING PARTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 8(c) OF THE ARRANGEMENT;
- (ii) REPORTING AND NOTIFYING PROCEDURES UNDER ARTICLES 2, 3 AND 4;
- (iii) COLLECTION AND CIRCULATION OF STATISTICS;
- (iv) PROBLEMS CONCERNING THE STRUCTURE AND THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES. SUGGESTIONS FOR STUDIES WHICH MAY BE HELPFUL IN THIS CONNEXION.

3. PAPERS ARE BEING PREPARED BY THE SECRETARIAT WHICH MAY SERVE AS A BASIS FOR THE DISCUSSION UNDER POINTS (i), (iii) AND (iv). I EXPECT THAT, UNDER POINT (iv), MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WILL WISH TO INITIATE DISCUSSION REFERRING TO THE BROADER RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMITTEE AS REGARDS THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES.

4. IF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE HAVE OTHER POINTS THEY WISH TO PROPOSE FOR CONSIDERATION, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THEY WOULD INFORM ME AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

5. MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE AND ALSO OTHER CONTRACTING PARTIES AND ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENTS WISHING TO BE REPRESENTED BY OBSERVERS AT THIS MEETING ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY ME BY 29 NOVEMBER OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

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