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FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

Time-Schedule and Curriculum of Studies for the period 30 July to 26 August 1959

1. The attached time-schedule covers the part of the programme related to the application of the provisions of the General Agreement; the list of subjects to be discussed and the time-schedule are contained in the annexed document. The talks will be given and the discussions organized by officers in the Trade Policy Division.

2. This part of the programme will last from Thursday, 30 July until Wednesday, 26 August, inclusive. As a rule, introductory talks by the GATT officer and group discussions will take place on alternate working days, starting at 9.30 each morning and normally finishing at 11.30 a.m. The officer who has conducted the session in the morning would be available at the main office of the fellows between 2.30 and 3 o'clock in the same afternoon to assist them in arranging their studies for the afternoon.

3. During the period, i.e. from 30 July to 26 August the fellows will be regarded, for administrative purposes, as temporary staff members attached to the Trade Policy Division.

ANNEX

CURRICULUM OF STUDIES ON THE PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT AND ACTIVITIES OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES

Explanatory Note

1. The printed volumes of GATT documents, entitled <u>Basic Instruments and</u> <u>Selected Documents</u>, are referred to in abbreviated form, as follows:

nIu	indicates	Volume I (the old text of the Agreement,
"I (Rev.)"	11	procedures, etc.); Volume I (Revised) (the revised text of the Agreement and the Agreement on the Organi-
uIIu	11	zation for Trade Co-operation); Volume II (decisions, reports, etc. up to the end of 1951);
"III"	11	Volume III (the text of the Agreement as it
"1S"	11	is applied at present) First Supplement (decisions, reports, etc.
"25"	17	of 1952); Second Supplement (decisions, reports, etc.
u38n	11	of 1953); Third Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. from 1954 to March 1955);
"4S"	11	Fourth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. from April - December 1955);
"58"	u.	Fifth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1956);
"65"	п	Sixth Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of 1957);
117811	11	Seventh Supplement (decisions, reports, etc. of the thirteenth session, intersessional procedure, 1958).

2. The numerals following the abbreviations indicate the page numbers in the volumes referred to.

3. The numerals and letters following the number of a GATT Article refer to the paragraphs and sub-paragraphs of the Article.

4. "L" refers to GATT documents.

SCHEDULE FOR LECTURES DURING AUGUST

Date		Subject	Officer
From 30 July to 14 August	I. II. IV. V. VI.	Structure of GATT provisions regarding quantitative restrictions Balance-of-payments restrictions Discriminatory application of restrictions Exchange matters and the IMF Restrictions on imports for development of industries Special exceptions in Article XI and special problems	C. Shih
From 17 - 26 August	VII. VIII. IX. X.	Schedules Modification of concessions Subsidies Liquidation of stocks and disposal of surpluses	G. Maggio

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I. Structure of GATT provisions regarding quantitative restrictions

- (a) Provisions of Article XI:1; nature and purpose
- (b) Exceptions to the general rule; special exceptions relating to agricultural and fisheries products; balance-of-payments restrictions; economic development; other exceptions; "waivers".

II. Balance-of-payments restrictions

- (a) Justification and criteria for the application of restrictions (Article XII:1 and 2; Article XVIII:8 and 9)
- (b) Other qualifications and conditions (Article XII:3; Article XVIII:10 and 11)
- (c) Review and consultations (Article XII:4 and 5; Article XVIII:12 and MGT(59)76)
- (d) The special provision for "under-developed" countries (Relationship between Articles XVIII:B and XII)
- (e) Standard practices for the application of restrictions
- (f) Reducing incidental protective effects (special report of 1950)

III. Discriminatory application of restrictions

- (a) The rule of non-discrimination (Article XIII:1)
- (b) Methods and criteria for applying non-discrimination (Article XIII:2-5)
- (c) Permitted deviation from the rule (Article XIV:1-5)
- (d) Reports and consultations under Article XIV:1(g)
- (e) Revision of Article XIV and the entry into force
- (f) The restoration of convertibility in 1959 and its implications under the GATT provisions
- (g) The question of bilateral agreements

IV. Exchange matters and the IMF

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- 1. Quantitative restrictions and exchange restrictions, multiple exchange rates, etc.
- 2. Co-operation with the International Monetary Fund
 - (a) The nature and purposes of the IMF
 - (b) The provisions concerning co-operation (Article XV:1 and 2)
 - (c) Arrangements and past action relating to the IMF
 - (d) Non-frustration clause and related provisions (Article XV:4,

5 and 9)

3. Special exchange agreements (Article XV:6-8) - Purpose and essential provisions; waivers granted to Czechoslovakia and New Zealand

- V. Restrictions on imports for development of industries
 - 1. Revision of Article XVIII in 1955, and structure of the new . Article XVIII
 - 2. Provisions concerning the development of particular industries by under-developed countries (Section C of Article XVIII)
 - 3. For other countries in the process of development (Section D)
 - 4. Releases granted in the past and annual review
- VI. Special exceptions in Article XI and special problems
 - (a) Provisions of Article XI:2
 - (b) The "hard core" waiver
 - (c) United States Agricultural Adjustment Act
 - (d) Luxemburg agricultural products
 - (e) Belgian restrictions
 - (f) German import restrictions

VII. Schedules

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- 1. Negotiation of concessions (I,104-119; Article XXIX bis., 35, 218; TN,56/1, 2 and 4)
- 2. Schedules, an integral part of Part I of the Agreement (Article II:7) German starch duties (3S, 77)
- 3. Tariff Negotiations to be held in 1960-1961 Committee I on Expansion of Trade
- 4. (a) "Treatment no less favourable" (Article II:1(a)) Greek coefficients (1S, 23 and 51)
 - (b) No "duties in excess" (Article II:1(b))
 - (c) No "other duties or charges in excess" (Article II:1(b) and (c))
 - (i) French compensation tax (3S, 26; 5S, 27)
 - (ii) Chilean automobile tax
 - (iii) Amendment of Article II:1(b) and (c)

VIII.Modification of concessions

- 1. Withdrawals (Article XXVII)
- 2. Re-negotiations (Article XXVIII)
- (a) Declaration on continued application (6S, 19)
- (b) "Sympathetic consideration" (28, 62 paras. 3-5)
 - (c) Italian cheese duties
 - (d) Greek gramophone duties

VIII.Modification of concessions (continued)

3. Re-negotiation for economic development (Article XVIII:A)
4. Emergency action (Article XIX)

Action by the <u>United States</u>
(i) Fur felt hats (special report, 1951)
(ii) Hatters' fur
(iii) Figs (1S, 28; 2S, 26)
(iv) Bicycles
(v) Linen towelling (5S, 32)

Action by <u>Greece</u> - Electric refrigerators

Action by <u>Greece</u> - Strawberries

IX. <u>Subsidies</u>

1. Article XVI

(a) Notifications (II, 19 and SR.13/11)

(b) Complaints

United States - oranges Australia - nitrates (II, 188) United Kingdom - eggs United States - poultry

(c) Extension of Standstill and Review (6S, 24; SR.13/11)

2. Export promotion and incentives (Commercial policy - 1957, p.46)

X. Liquidation of stocks and disposal of surpluses

1. Resolution on liquidation (38, 51 and 230)

2. Resolution on disposals (3S, 50 and 229)

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