

NOTE BY THE UNITED KINGDOM DELEGATION

The United Kingdom delegation has prepared the following amended texts, based upon the informal discussion which took place at the Villa le Bocage on 14 September, for consideration at the next informal meeting at 9.30 a.m. on 16 September.

Article VI, paragraph 2

"Where circumstances ... (as in present text) ... this Agreement. Any such arrangement shall be submitted to the Assembly before it enters into operation, and it shall not enter into operation in respect of any Signatory unless it is approved by the Assembly. Furthermore a Signatory or non-Signatory Government which is also a contracting party to the GATT shall participate in any such arrangement only if it has also been submitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES and has not been disapproved by them" ..

Article X, paragraphs 5 and 7

"5. The Assembly shall ... (as in present text) ... commodity field. The report shall be transmitted to the CONTRACTING PARTIES to the GATT for their consideration, in view of the effect of the operation of this Agreement on the obligations of contracting parties under the General Agreement.

"5.A. The Assembly's report shall also be transmitted to other intergovernmental bodies or agencies interested in commodity problems".

Article XII, paragraph 2

"Except where ... (as in present text) ... arrangements, except insofar as Signatories who are contracting parties to the GATT are subject to the provisions of Article VI and XIX relating to the special interests of the CONTRACTING PARTIES".

Article XVI

"This Agreement shall ... (as in present text) ... not less than twenty Governments".

Include in the GATT Resolution approving the Special Agreement for the purpose of Article XX(h) the following:

"APPROVE the Special Agreement on Commodity Arrangements as criteria within the meaning of Article XX(h) of the General Agreement.

"PROVIDED that this approval shall not become effective until not less than eighteen contracting parties shall have become Signatories of the Special Agreement."

Article XIX

"This Agreement may ... (as in present text, but omitting words in square brackets) ... which it has not accepted, and no Signatory who is a contracting party to the GATT shall accept any amendment which has been disapproved by the CONTRACTING PARTIES to that Agreement. The Signatories may, however, decide that an amendment ... (as in present text) ... come into force."