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Addendum

14. Members of the Group agreed to proceed with the future work on safeguards along the lines of the proposal contained in paragraph 12. The Group therefore instructed the secretariat to prepare a factual note which would contain the elements listed in paragraph 13. This note would concentrate on emergency-type actions in the widest sense. It was understood that at a later stage the note would be broadened to include a description of safeguard measures which facilitate trade liberalization. It was pointed out that only limited information was available in the secretariat on bilateral arrangements under which restrictive measures were applied as well as on domestic procedures for handling commercial injury cases. Members of the Group understood that they would be invited to submit to the secretariat relevant information in this respect so that the note would give a representative picture of the situation. It was agreed that the textile sector should not be included in the note as information in this area was being made available in another context.

14 bis. The Group also agreed that an analytical paper identifying the problem areas in the field of safeguards be established by the secretariat. The purpose of this paper would be to permit an orderly further discussion. This paper would base itself on the proposal contained in document MTN/3D/W., (a)-(f). There was consensus that additional points for consideration should be added to the list by the secretariat

and by delegations. In this connexion, the questions of, inter alia, differentiated treatment for developing countries, the examination of the definition of serious injury and market disruption, and international surveillance were mentioned.