

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

RESTRICTED

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TARIFFS AND TRADE

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS

Number of Meetings

Note by the Secretariat

In the report of the Committee on Budget, Finance and Administration (L/6408), the Committee drew the attention of the Council to a number of issues which were putting a severe strain on budgetary resources and making it increasingly difficult to keep within the approved annual appropriations. The Committee considered that action would be required to contain these costs and that proposals would be invited to this end.

A table outlining the number of days of meetings, work-days and expenditure 1980-1988, is shown overleaf in order to facilitate the Committee's deliberations on this matter.

MEETINGS, INCLUDING SIMULTANEOUS MEETINGS

Year	Expenditure Sw F (interpreters) *	Man/ days *	Days of meetings			Total	of which simultaneous
			Ordinary	Private			
1980	151,200	425	281	85	366	26	
1981	171,200	468	254	71	325	13	
1982	220,900	599	257	76	333	26	
1983	202,200	501	316	61	377	36	
1984	252,100	592	312	80	392	42	
1985	296,000	671	292	84	376	39	
1986	327,100	724	274	106	380	54	
1987 GATT	189,000	400	240	38	278	18	
Uruguay	163,000	354	134	25	159	8	
	<u>352,000</u>	<u>754</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>26</u>	
1988 GATT	229,000	478	216	59	275	26	
Uruguay	354,000	753	214	38	252	17	
	<u>583,000</u>	<u>1,231</u>	<u>430</u>	<u>97</u>	<u>527</u>	<u>43</u>	

Interpreters' salary: (class I)	1980	Sw F 369.- per day and per person
	1981	Sw F 386.- per day and per person
	1982	Sw F 402.- per day and per person
	1983	Sw F 422.- per day and per person
	1984	Sw F 442.- per day and per person
	1985	Sw F 462.- per day and per person
	1986	Sw F 462.- per day and per person
	1987	Sw F 482.- per day and per person
	1988	Sw F 482.- per day and per person

* Corresponding only to interpreters recruited in addition to the GATT team.