MEMBERSHIP OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT

The following sets out the present position regarding countries which are contracting parties to the General Agreement and countries which enjoy a status other than that of contracting party.

A. There are thirty-seven contracting parties:

Australia  France  New Zealand
Austria  Federal Republic  Nicaragua
Belgium  of Germany  Norway
Brazil  Ghana  Pakistan
Burma  Greece  Peru
Canada  Haiti  Federation of Rhodesia
Ceylon  India  and Nyasaland
Chile  Indonesia  Sweden
Cuba  Italy  Turkey
Czechoslovakia  Japan  Union of South Africa
Denmark  Luxemburg  United Kingdom of
Dominican Republic  Federation of Malaya  Great Britain and
Finland  Kingdom of the  Northern Ireland
          Netherlands  United States of America
          
B. There are five countries which participate in the work of the CONTRACTING PARTIES:

Cambodia (under a Decision of 17 November 1958)
Israel (under a Decision of 29 May 1959)
Switzerland (under a Resolution of 22 November 1958)
Tunisia (under a Decision of 8 November 1959)
Yugoslavia (under a Declaration of 25 May 1959, which entered into force on 16 November 1959)

Note: It is expected that Cambodia, Israel and Tunisia will participate in the 1960/61 tariff conference with a view to subsequent full accession to the General Agreement. Israel, Tunisia and Switzerland have acceded provisionally.

C. At recent sessions the following countries have been represented by observers:

Afghanistan  Iraq  Philippines
Argentina  Laos  Poland
Bolivia  Lebanon  Portugal
Colombia  Liberia  El Salvador
Costa Rica  Libya  Spain
Ecuador  Mexico  United Arab Republic
Iran  Panama  Venezuela