

GATT/AIR/1600*

14 JANUARY 1980

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

THE COMMITTEE ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE ESTABLISHED UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF THE AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE, WHICH ENTERED INTO FORCE ON 1 JANUARY 1980, WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING ON MONDAY, 25 JANUARY 1980 AT 11.30 A.M. IN THE CENTRE WILLIAM RAPPARD.

THE MEETING WILL MAINLY BE OF AN ORGANIZATIONAL NATURE. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PROPOSED FOR DISCUSSION:

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN.
2. PROCEDURES FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF INTERESTED NON-SIGNATORIES IN AN OBSERVER CAPACITY (L/4905, PARAGRAPH 5).
3. DATE AND DRAFT AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.
4. OTHER BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENTS SIGNATORIES OF THE AGREEMENT ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING AND ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM ME OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES BY 25 JANUARY AT THE LATEST.

NON-SIGNATORIES WHICH HAVE AN INTEREST IN FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE IN AN OBSERVER CAPACITY ARE INVITED TO NOTIFY ME AT THE LATEST BY 25 JANUARY OF THIS FACT. FOLLOWING A DECISION ON THE PROCEDURES FOR PARTICIPATION OF DELEGATIONS IN AN OBSERVER CAPACITY, THESE DELEGATIONS WILL BE NOTIFIED IN THIS REGARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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* THIS AIRGRAM REPLACES THE AIRGRAM OF 14 JANUARY 1980 WHICH WAS NUMBERED ERRONEOUSLY GATT/AIR/1960.