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### SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FIRST MEETING

### Held at the International Conference Centre, Geneva on Tuesday, 1 December 1987 at 10.15 a.m.

Chairman: Mr. Mansur Ahmad (Pakistan)

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#### Chairman's opening address

The CHAIRMAN made an opening address (GATT/1424).

#### Adoption of the Agenda

The CHAIRMAN noted that the Provisional Agenda was contained in L/6234.

The Agenda was adopted.

#### Order of Business

The CHAIRMAN drew attention to the Proposed Order of Business circulated in W.43/2 which gave an outline of organization of work during the Session, beginning with general statements by contracting parties, followed later by the consideration of the report of the Council, the dates for the 44th Session and then Election of Officers. In the context of the Council's report, the CONTRACTING PARTIES would consider the Panel report concerning Japanese restrictions on imports of certain agricultural products. He said that the interested parties had asked that this matter be taken up as the first point under Agenda item 2.

The CONTRACTING PARTIES <u>approved</u> the Order of Business as proposed in W.43/2.

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## Activities of GATT

The following statements were made:

Miss Pat Carney, Minister for International Trade of Canada	SR.43/ST/1
Ms. Anita Gradin, Minister for Foreign Trade of Sweden	SR.43/ST/2
Mr. Clayton K. Yeutter, Ambassador, United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President	SR.43/ST/3
Mr. Mabbub Ul Haq, Minister for Commerce, Planning and Development of Pakistan	SR.43/ST/4
Mr. Sosuke Uno, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan	SR.43/ST/5
Mr. Michael John Duffy, Minister for Trade Negotiations of Australia	SR.43/ST/6
Mr. Péter Veress, Minister for Foreign Trade of Hungary	SR.43/ST/7
Mr. Willy de Clercq, Minister, Member of the Commission for External Relations and Trade Policy	SR.43/ST/8
Mr. Mike Moore, Minister of Overseas Trade and Marketing of New Zealand	SR.43/ST/9
Mr. Albento Patancourt Roa, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Foreign Trade of Cuba	SR.43/ST/10
Mr. Kurt Mosbakk, Minister of Trade and Shipping of Norway	SR.43/ST/11
Mr. Fertti Salolainen, Minister for Foreign Trade of Finland	SR.43/ST/12

The meeting <u>adjourned</u> at 12.30 p.m.