

any obligation under such provision, subject to such limitations as the Organization may impose.

(b) If, having regard to the provisions of paragraph 2 (c), it is established in the course of such examination that such measure is unlikely to be more restrictive of international trade than any other practicable and reasonable measure permitted under this Charter which could be imposed without undue difficulty and that it is the one most suitable for the purpose having regard to the economics of the industry or the branch of agriculture concerned and to the current economic condition of the applicant Member, the Organization shall concur in such measure and grant such release as may be required to make such measure effective.

(c) If in anticipation of the concurrence of the Organization in the adoption of a measure concerning which notice has been given under paragraph 2 of this Article, other than a measure provided for in paragraph 3 (a) of this Article, there should be an increase or threatened increase in the importations of the product or products concerned, including products which can be directly substituted therefor, so substantial as to jeopardize the plans of the applicant Member for the establishment, development or reconstruction of the industry or industries concerned, or branches of agriculture concerned, and if no preventive measures consistent with this Charter can be found which seem likely to prove effective, the applicant Member may, after informing, and when practicable consulting with, the Organization, adopt such other measures as the situation may require pending a determination by the Organization, provided that such measures do not reduce imports below the level obtaining in the most recent representative period preceding the date on which the Member's original notification was made under paragraph 2 of this Article.

5. (a) In the case of measures referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article, the Organization shall, at the earliest opportunity but ordinarily within fifteen days after receipt of the statement referred to in paragraph 2 (a) of this Article, advise the applicant Member of the date by which the Organization will notify it whether or not it concurs in principle in the proposed measure, with or without modification.

(b) In the case of measures referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article the Organization shall, as provided for in paragraph 5 (a), advise the

Article 13.

The Delegation of China reserved its position but indicated that it was prepared to recommend the text of this Article to its Government for further consideration without committing its Government and while reserving the right to request re-examination of this Article at the World Conference.

The Delegation of India reserved its position on this Article and the whole subject of quantitative restrictions for protective purposes while stating that it had reported the text of this Article to its Government and would make a further statement in this connection upon receipt of instructions from its Government.

The Delegation of Lebanon reserved its position pending the World Conference.