

CHAPTER XV—MEASURES LINKED WITH PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION

ARTICLE 63

Labour standards

Members shall ensure that fair labour standards are maintained in their respective sugar industries and, as far as possible, shall endeavour to improve the standard of living of agricultural and industrial workers in the various branches of sugar production, and of growers of sugar cane and sugar beet.

ARTICLE 64

Support measures

1. Members recognize that subsidies on the production or marketing of sugar which operate directly or indirectly to increase exports of sugar or to reduce imports of sugar may endanger the fulfilment of the objectives of this Agreement.

2. If any Member grants or maintains any such subsidy, including any form of income or price support, it shall, during each quota year, notify the Council in writing of the extent and nature of the subsidization and of the circumstances making the subsidization necessary. The notification referred to in this paragraph shall be given at the request of the Council, which request shall be made at least once each quota year in such form and at such time as may be provided in the rules of procedure of the Council.

3. In any case in which a Member considers that serious prejudice to its interests under this Agreement is caused or threatened by such subsidization, the Member granting the subsidy shall, upon request, discuss with the other Member or Members concerned, or with the Council, the possibility of limiting the subsidization. In any case in which the matter is brought before the Council, the Council may examine the case with the Members concerned and make such recommendations as it deems appropriate, bearing in mind the particular circumstances of the Member granting the subsidies.

ARTICLE 65

Measures to encourage consumption

1. Each Member shall take such action as it deems appropriate to encourage the consumption of sugar and to remove any obstacles which restrict the growth of sugar consumption, having regard to the effects on sugar consumption of customs duties,