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ACTION BY GOVERNMENTS RELEVANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PART IV

<u>Addendun</u>

The following communication has been received from the delegation of Canada in connexion with the implementation of Part IV.

In GATT Airgram 1204, you invited governments to report on any developments additional to those indicated in document COM.TD/W/227 and Add.1 and in the Proceedings of the May 1975 meeting of the Committee (COM.TD/97) relevant to the implementation of Part IV of the General Agreement.

My authorities have brought to my attention several such developments relative to the implementation of Part IV. The following should be taken into account in updating these documents.

The Canadian Government is currently studying whether, in the light of the current situation, the existing Article XIX global quota measure relating to imports of certain woven and knitted fabric shirts (COM.TD/W/227, paragraph 12) will be terminated, modified or renewed.

I review of the operation of Canadian measures to implement the Generalized System of Preferences is currently underway with a view to possible improvement of these measures. Since the implementation of the Canadian measures in July 1974, one product, i.e. rubber footwear, has been excluded. This measure was taken last and applied to all beneficiaries.

The Canadian Parliament has recently enacted new legislation which will permit the duty-free entry of certain handicraft products from GSP beneficiary countries. These measures will be implemented soon; the products involved are still to be specified.