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## CITT INQUIRY INTO BONELESS BEEF IMPORTS

## Communication from Canada

The following communication, dated 14 May 1993, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Canada with a request that it be circulated to the Contracting Parties.

The Government of Canada wishes to inform the Contracting Parties that it has instructed the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT) to undertake an inquiry into the importation by Canada of boneless beef originating in countries other than the United States. The reference to the CITT was made on 16 April 1993 and the Tribunal is to deliver its report by 28 May 1993.

The CITT has been instructed to inquire into the importation of boneless beef by:

- (i) Providing an assessment of whether the importation of boneless beef, originating in countries other than the United States, is causing or threatening to cause serious injury to Canadian producers of like or directly competitive products; and
- (ii) In the event that the importation of boneless beef originating in countries other than the United States is found to be causing or threatening to cause serious injury to Canadian producers of like or directly competitive products, providing advice as to the most appropriate remedy to address the situation, taking into account Canada's international rights to obligations under bilateral and multilateral trade agreements.

Interested parties have been advised of the procedural requirements related to the inquiry.

The Government of Canada will, in accordance with its GATT rights and obligations, inform the Contracting Parties of any action resulting from the inquiry.