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Boneless Beef Import Measures For 1993, 1994 and 1995

Addendum

The following communication, dated 3 June 1993, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Canada.

The Government of Canada wishes to advise the CONTRACTING PARTIES of its intention to take safeguard action with respect to imports into Canada of boneless beef in fresh, chilled and frozen form, originating in countries other than the United States, during part of 1993 and during 1994 and 1995. The safeguard action is being taken pursuant to Article XIX of the GATT.

Following an enquiry, the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT) has found that imports of boneless beef originating in countries other than the United States threaten serious injury to Canadian producers of like or directly competitive products. To remedy the threat of serious injury, the Tribunal has recommended the imposition of an annual tariff rate quota on imports of boneless beef originating in countries other than the United States effective from 1 May 1993 to 31 December 1995. Imports above that level would be subject to an additional tariff of 25 per cent ad valorem. For 1994 and 1995, imports originating in countries other than the United States would be subject to the existing most-favoured-nation tariff rate up to a level of 72,021 tonnes. For the period from 1 May to 31 December 1993, the tariff rate quota would be 48,014 tonnes.

In accordance with the requirements of Article XIX of the GATT, the Government of Canada will, on request, afford those Contracting Parties having a substantial interest as exporters of boneless beef covered by the measure an opportunity to consult with it on the proposed action.