

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

RESTRICTED

## TARIFFS AND TRADE

L/6483

31 March 1989

Limited Distribution

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COUNCIL

12 April 1989

UNITED STATES - PROPOSED TRADE ACTION IN RESPECT  
OF SALMON AND HERRING

Communication from Canada

The following communication, dated 30 March 1989, has been received from Canada with the request that it be circulated to contracting parties and that the matter be inscribed on the Agenda of the Council at its meeting on 12 April.

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Canada wishes to draw to the attention of the Council its concern over proposed United States action in relation to the Panel report on measures affecting exports of unprocessed salmon and herring (L/6268). The United States has published in the Federal Register a list of possible products for withdrawal of concessions. However, the United States has not indicated its intention to seek authority from the CONTRACTING PARTIES before taking such action. Canada considers that the United States is required to abide by its GATT obligations and first seek authorization from GATT CONTRACTING PARTIES before withdrawing concessions.