MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS THE URUGUAY ROUND

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STANDSTILL

Notification

- 1. Participant notifying: Sweden
- 2. Participant maintaining the measure: United States
- 3. Description of the measure (including date of entry into force and reference to any relevant legislation or other document):

In July 1983, the United States imposed certain restrictions on imports of specialty steel as a relief measure under Article XIX of GATT. For certain products (plate, sheet and strip), additional tariffs were imposed. Since 1 March 1986, the tariffs on these products have been applied to imports from Sweden but not to imports from certain other suppliers. To this end, consultations have taken place with the United States under Article XXIII:1.

By force of a recent decision, these tariffs have been extended until 30 September 1989. The decision to extend the measures under Article XIX was taken in spite of the fact that the reasons for imposing the tariffs in the first place were considered as no longer valid by the competent authority.

4. Products covered, including tariff headings (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff lines):

Sheet and strip, TSUS 926.000 (some products excluded)

Plate, TSUS 926.05 (some products excluded)

Country or countries to which the measure applies:

Sweden

6.	Relevance of the measure to the standstill commitment:
	Sweden considers these additional tariffs not consistent with the obligations of the United States under the General Agreement and the standstill commitment.
7.	Comments by the participant maintaining the measure: