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SUB-COMMITTEE ON SERVICES

ADDITIONS TO SCHEDULES ANNEXED TO THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN SERVICES

Schedule 16 - Canada

Measures relating to Subsidies and Taxes at Sub-Central Level

The statement by the Chairman of the Group of Negotiations on Services issued on 13 December 1993 (MTN.GNS/50) provides for a procedure for the completion of scheduling of measures related to subsidies and taxes at sub-central level.

In document PC/SCS/W/3, distributed on 15 June 1994, Canada submitted for insertion in its schedule certain additional reservations on tax and subsidy measures at the sub-central level. A subsequent technical rectification was introduced by Canada at the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Services on 15 July 1994, namely to move the Ontario reservation from part B to part A of Canada's schedule.

The statement by the Chairman of the Group of Negotiations on Services provides for a period of thirty days during which consultations may be requested. Since this period has elapsed and no request has been made to Canada to consult on this matter, the attached addition to Schedule 16 - Canada, is deemed to be approved. It will be annexed to the Protocol Supplementary to the General Agreement on Trade in Services.

Canada - Additional Tax and Subsidy Measures at Sub-Central Level

Part A - Measures applicable to All Sectors in Part B

(3) Commercial presence (Article XVII - National Treatment)

Quebec

The Industrial Development Corporation provides differential treatment in the case of loans to firms not controlled and headquartered in Quebec.

The Program Favouring Strategic Alliances and Groupings is limited to groupings or strategic alliances controlled in Quebec.

Benefits available from the Quebec Business Investment Corporation are limited to Canadian controlled firms.

Ontario

All partners of any partnership applying for assistance from the Community Loan Fund Corporation must be Canadian residents.

(4) Movement of natural persons providing services (Article XVII - National Treatment)

Quebec

Benefits from the Ministry of Industry, Trade, Science and Technology Programs for (a) Scientists in Business and (b) Strategic Employment are limited to permanent residents.

Benefits from the Ministry of Industry, Trade, Science and Technology Assistance Program for Studies on Strategic Development in Business are limited to consultants resident in Quebec.