The following joint communication, dated 17 December 1982, has been received from the delegations of the United States and Canada.

GATT document L/5351 dated 22 July 1982 contains a communication from the Permanent Mission of Canada concerning action under GATT Article XIX in respect of leather footwear.

Canada and the United States have agreed that their reciprocal rights and obligations under the General Agreement will be maintained and for this purpose have agreed that the ninety-day period set forth in Article XIX:3(a) shall be considered to expire on 31 March 1983.