Text to be Proposed (for Application to Canada)

It was agreed that with respect to the participation of those countries for which it is established that their trade and economic structure is such that equal linear reductions may not provide an adequate balance of advantages, and which would therefore be offering trade concessions of equivalent value the following rules and procedures shall apply:

(1) Such countries shall table their lists of offers of trade concessions on the same date as countries making their offers on the basis of a linear tariff cut will be tabling their lists of exceptions;

(2) The initial offers of such countries will be designed to balance the trade benefits which such countries may expect to receive in the negotiations in the light of the negotiating rules accepted by the other participating countries;

(3) These initial offers shall be subject to confrontation and justification, in parallel with and similar to the process of confrontation and justification of exceptions lists, in the light of criterion set out in (2) above.