COMMUNICATION FROM CANADA

The following communication, dated 28 December 1984, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Canada.

Bill C-9, an Act to amend the Customs Act and the Tariff Act was given royal assent on 20 December 1984. The legislation introduces, as of 1 January 1985, a new system of customs valuation consistent with the GATT Valuation Code. The legislation also provides for tariff rate adjustments to compensate for the loss of protection resulting from the implementation of the new system. The rate adjustments for the following eight tariff items, which were contained in a Notice of Ways and Means Motion tabled in Parliament in February 1984, have been deleted from the legislation: 17100-1, 19900-3, 19900-4, 19910-1, 51400-2, 56301-1, 57201-1 and 57202-1. Canada will notify the conclusion of the relevant Article XXVIII negotiations in the usual manner in due course.