The Ministers expressed their appreciation for the contribution to the proposal made by individual companies and associations, the International Trade Advisory Group (ITAC), the Sectoral Advisory Groups for International Trade (SAGITs) and the provinces and territories. "All sectors and regions of Canada have a stake in these negotiations and we intend to continue our consultations with interested parties throughout the negotiations," the Ministers stated.

The GATT market access negotiations also complement the government's "Going Global" trade development strategy which is designed to help Canadian firms take advantage of trade and commercial opportunities in the U.S., Asia Pacific and the post-1992 European market (see annex for more details on Canada's trade interests in the context of the MTN process).

The GATT negotiations are scheduled to conclude in December 1990 when trade ministers from around the world will meet in Brussels.

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