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CANADA AND THE SURCHARGE

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The ten per cent surcharge and related measures affecting United States imports announced by President Nixon last summer has an enormous impact on Canada.

Journals and Parliamentary debate have been full of the subject, and the issue is a matter of concern at diplomatic levels.

Two recent speeches outline the major points being made by the Canadian Government. The following are some excerpts and paraphrasing.

One speech is by Jean-Luc Pepin, Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce who spoke at the "Canada Today" seminar in Houston, Texas on September 29, 1971.

The other is by Ambassador to the United States Marcel Cadieux, speaking at the Chamber of Commerce Dinner, October 20, in Dallas, Texas.

M. Pepin's subject was Canada's North American Economic Dimensions and he told the audience of businessmen and industrialists of some ancient points of contact - Michel Menard of Quebec signed the Texas Declaration of Independence - and some new ones, Texas sells Canada oil and gas equipment and technology, electronics and aerospace hardware, pollution control machinery and services,