

The Canadian Ministers stressed the need for opportunities to diversify further Canadian exports to Japan, and particularly to increase exports of processed and manufactured goods, while continuing to develop Canada's traditional exports of foodstuffs and primary raw materials. The Japanese Ministers pointed out that, as a result of progressive liberalization of imports, the number of tariff categories remaining under quotas, now numbering 60, would be reduced to 40 by the end of this month and that further liberalization of a number of items in the first half of 1972 was actively under study. The Canadian Ministers welcomed such developments, and encouraged Japan to continue the liberalization of the remaining import restrictions and other barriers to trade, particularly where they affect Canadian exports. The Committee expressed satisfaction that settlement had been reached recently in the annual bilateral discussions on the export restraints of some Japanese products to Canada. The Canadian Ministers pointed to the importance of continued Japanese co-operation in the orderly marketing of Japanese exports to Canada and of avoiding trade diversion from other markets. The Japanese Ministers, for their part, pointed out that export restraints, in any case, should be temporary measures and be dispensed with as soon as possible. The Committee agreed that anti-dumping procedures should be carried out in accordance with the International Anti-Dumping Code.

9. A Japanese Economic Mission to Canada led by Mr. Chujiro Fujino visited Canada in June of this year. A high-level Canadian business mission will visit Japan early in the new year.