

in goods and services" and President replies (Oct. 2) that "I welcome this proposal" and agreed that negotiations should proceed toward a comprehensive trade agreement.

**September 26**

Prime Minister announces in Parliament that Canada will pursue trade agreement with the U.S. designed to "secure, expand and enhance" access to U.S. markets. Report of Trade Minister James Kelleher tabled at the same time. USTR Yeutter submits his report to President; it welcomes proposal but says U.S. would seek end to Canadian subsidies which distort trade.

**September 19**

International Trade Advisory Committee established, under the chairmanship of Walter Light, to provide a two-way flow of information and advice between the government and private sector on international trade matters.

**September 5**

Report of the Royal Commission on the Economic Union and Development Prospects for Canada (Macdonald Commission) is released. It urges government to negotiate a free trade deal with U.S.

**September 2**

Canadian-American Committee calls for government negotiation of a comprehensive bilateral trade agreement saying "both countries would benefit from freer trade."

**August 23**

Joint Parliamentary Committee on Canada's International Relations endorses negotiations for a free trade agreement.

**July 7**

Following meeting with inner Cabinet in Baie Comeau, the Prime Minister says a "trade enhancement" agreement with U.S. is necessary to protect jobs.