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FREE TRADE PUBLICATION RELEASED

The Department of External Affairs today released documents that will form part of the public information program on the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement.

The major piece is titled The Canada-U.S. Trade Agreement in Brief. It is designed as a general guide to the Agreement and will be available to the public this week.

Also released were drafts discussing regional implications of the Agreement and other major free-trade issues. These drafts now are in a preliminary form only. The Department intends to develop these materials into documents for general public use and to publish them before the end of October.

Public orders for free-trade publications will be handled through a toll-free telephone system. The number for publication orders only is 1-800-387-0660.

Over the next few days, The Canada-U.S. Trade Agreement in Brief will also be available to the public at Canada Post Offices, at some supermarket information centres and shopping centre information kiosks.

As of Oct. 20, toll-free telephone numbers will be made available for people seeking technical information on the terms of the Agreement.

For further information call the Department of External Affairs Media Relations Office, 613-995-1874.