America should eliminate barriers. The Government is also seeking views on products for which there may be concerns if access to the Canadian market for Central American products were to be improved, including opinions on the staging of any concessions.

- Views on general rules of origin issues and/or advice on appropriate rules of origin or procedures for specific products or sectors.
- Any suggestions on "trade facilitation" issues, e.g. significant impediments related to import-related procedures.
- Advice, views and experiences on customs-related issues for both travelers and commercial goods entering or leaving the region.
- Advice and views on the possible inclusion of investment within the scope of negotiations, the types of problems faced by Canadian investors in Central America, and the type of investment rules that would provide them with better access, treatment, protection and predictability for their investments.
- Advice and views on the possible inclusion of services within the scope of negotiations, service sectors in Central America that could be a target for further liberalization, and opinions on measures affecting access, including regulatory measures that restrict trade in services.
- Advice and views on the possible inclusion of competition policy within the scope of the negotiations.
- Views on ways to reflect the interests and values of Canadians in the areas
  of the protection of the environment, basic workers' rights, human rights,
  and other social concerns, as they relate to Central America.
- Views on any other related issues.

All interested parties are invited to submit their views at the earliest opportunity and submissions should preferably be received before Friday, February 2, 2001. They should:

- 1. include the contributor's name and address;
- 2. identify the issues being addressed;
- 3. provide precise information on the reasons for positions taken, including anticipated effects on employment and production in Canada, on import and export interests, and on any other social or economic interests in Canada.

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