The major apparel Trade Show is Colombiamoda'93, September 7-10, 1993 and is organized by:

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· - At which international shows do the buyers "shop".

The most outstanding of Europe and North America.

 Which local or international magazines do the buyers rely on and should be considered for advertising by Canadian exporters. What is their knowledge of Canadian apparel capability.

There is a very limited knowledge of Canadian apparel capability from the Colombian apparel side.

BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

- Preferred marketing and distribution method: local agent, distributor, trading house, direct sales. Please provide lists where feasible.

Local agent and distributor. Lists of potential agents and distributors:

The ones mentioned under "major buyers" above.

- What are typical commission rates and payment terms if known.

Commission rates: 3 to 5%.

Payment terms: Cash and irrevocable letter of credit, at the beginning. Once customer is known, then 30, 60 or 90 days credit term.