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SUBJECT	CURRENT LAW	HOUSE	SENATE	ADMIN POSITION	CDN POSITION
(iii) <u>Deadlines</u>	<p>USTR to make recommendation to President within:</p> <p>a) 7 months of initiation if petition alleges export subsidy covered by GATT.</p> <p>b) 8 months of initiation if petition alleges domestic subsidy covered by GATT.</p> <p>c) 30 days after conclusion of dispute settlement procedure.</p> <p>d) 12 months in any other case.</p>	<p>USTR to make recommendation within:</p> <p>a) 7 months of initiation if export subsidy covered by GATT alleged.</p> <p>b) 8 months of initiation if petition alleged domestic subsidy covered by GATT.</p> <p>c) First of 30 days after conclusion of dispute settlement procedure or 18 months after initiation.</p> <p>d) 12 months in any other case except export targetting.</p>	<p>"Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1987"/ [H.R.3(S.1420)] [passed July 21, 1987]</p> <p>USTR to make unfairness determination within:</p> <p>a) 6 months of initiation of export targetting involved.</p> <p>b) 9 months of initiation in other cases.</p>	ADMIN POSITION	CDN POSITION
D. Action	<p>Authority to take action with President.</p>	<p>In unjustifiable and export targetting cases, authority to USTR with direction from President, if any.</p>	<p>Retains: current law.</p>	<p>Opposes mandatory action.</p>	<p>Canada objects to mandatory action as undercutting international negotiations and possibly inviting retaliation.</p>
(ii) <u>Action</u>	<p>If Section 301 criteria are met, the President shall take all appropriate action to enforce rights or eliminate policy/practice. President may suspend etc. concessions, impose restrictions.</p>	<p>If Section 301 criteria satisfied, retaliatory action is mandatory unless there is a negative GATT finding, the country is taking measures or has agreed to do so, or action is not in US economic interest.</p>	<p>Mandatory action unless there is a negative GATT finding, an agreement to reduce or offset unfair practice, an agreement to compensate, retaliation would cause harm or not be in national economic interest.</p>	<p>Opposes mandatory action.</p>	<p>Canada objects to mandatory action as undercutting international negotiations and possibly inviting retaliation.</p>
(iii) <u>Time Limit</u>	<p>Within 21 days of affirmative USTR recommendation.</p>	<p>Within 30 days of affirmative finding.</p>	<p>Within 15 months of initiation (9 months after favourable GATT ruling)</p>	<p>Opposes mandatory action.</p>	<p>Canada objects to mandatory action as undercutting international negotiations and possibly inviting retaliation.</p>