BASIC COUNTRY DATA

PUERTO RICO

Area: 8.897 sq. km.

Population: 3.4 million (1981), 61.8% urban (1975), average annual growth rate (1970-1979) 3.0%

Main Cities: San Juan (1,022,000), Ponce (175,000), Bayamon (170,000)

Head of State: Puerto Rico is a Commonwealth of the U.S.A. with selfgovernment in domestic affairs. The Governor of Puerto Rico is Sr. Carlos Romero Barcelo (November 1980). The people of Puerto Rico are U.S. citizens. Puerto Rico is in a common market with the U.S.A.

Exchange Rate: U.S. \$ is the currency

Gross National Products (GNP): U.S. \$11.1 billion (1980)

GNP per capita: U.S. \$3,010 (1980)

External Public Debt: (1980) U.S. \$6.9 billion (approx.), 62% of GNP, much of it held or guaranteed by the U.S. Government

Debt Service Ratio: (1977) 10% of internally-generated government revenues, 4.6% of GNP

| (U.S. \$ millions) | 1975 | 1976 | <u>1977</u> | <u>1978</u> | <u>1979</u> |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Merchandise Imports: | 4,951 | 5,432 | 6,108 | 6,822 | 7,920 |
| Merchandise Exports: | 3,139 | 3,346 | 4,479 | 4,762 | 6,000 |

Composition of Total Imports: (1977) consumer durables 10%, consumer nondurables 25.4%, capital goods 5.5%, petroleum products 27%, other raw and intermediate materials 32.1%. (60% from U.S.A. in 1979).

Composition of Total Exports: (1977) fish 6.6%, tobacco 3.2%, petroleum products 11%, chemicals 13.5%, pharmaceuticals 11%, electrical equipment 8.6%, clothing 9.4%. (89% to U.S.A.) Receipts from tourism: \$596 million (1979).

| (Cdn. \$ millions) | <u>1977</u> | <u>1978</u> | <u>1979</u> | 1980 | <u>1981</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------------|
| Canadian Exports: | 60.3 | 75.3 | 110.2 | 93.7 | 103.5 |
| Canadian Imports: | 53.9 | 49.7 | 75.8 | 102.2 | 123.0 |

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