Article 19 provides that disputes (the imposition of antidumping or countervailing duties are expressly excluded) should be settled through consultations, if possible. Should these fail, either party may refer the dispute to a Joint Committee. If, within 60 days, the Joint Committee cannot resolve the dispute, the matter may be referred to a conciliation panel of three members: one each to be chosen by each party, these in turn would select a Chairman. The panel would seek to resolve the dispute within three months through agreement of the parties but failing this would present the parties with a report containing its findings of facts, determinations and proposals for settlement. The report of the panel is non-binding but after its presentation "the affected party shall be entitled to take any appropriate measure".

6) On two separate occasions and most recently, on August 1, 1985, Sen. Mitchell of Maine has introduced legislation seeking to amend Section 612 of the Trade Act of 1974. His bill would authorize the US President to negociate an agreement with Canada establishing an International Joint Economic Commission. This body would be designed to conduct common fact-finding to resolve trade and economic disputes, to provide advisory opinions or recommendation on issues referred to it by both