

- (b) to prevent either Party from taking any action which it considers necessary for the protection of its essential security interests:
- (i) relating to fissionable materials or the materials from which they are derived;
  - (ii) relating to the traffic in arms, ammunition and implements of war and to such traffic in other goods, materials and services undertaken directly or indirectly for the purpose of supplying a military establishment;
  - (iii) relating to the non-proliferation of biological and chemical weapons, nuclear weapons, or other nuclear explosive devices;
  - (iv) taken in time of war or other emergency in international relations; or
- (c) to prevent either Party from taking any action in pursuance of its obligations under the United Nations Charter for the maintenance of international peace and security.

#### ARTICLE XIII

##### OTHER EXCEPTIONS

Subject to the requirement that such measures are not applied in a manner which would constitute a means of arbitrary or unjustifiable discrimination between countries where the same conditions prevail, or a disguised restriction on international trade, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to prohibit the adoption or enforcement by either Party of:

- (a) measures necessary to secure compliance with laws or regulations which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement; or
- (b) any other measure referred to in Article XX of the GATT.

#### ARTICLE XIV

##### CONSULTATIONS

1. The Parties shall consult with each other when necessary regarding the operation of this Agreement or of any provision thereof.