

the Commerce Department for further review. On September 17, the Commerce Department reaffirmed its original finding that provincial stumpage programs and British Columbia's log export restrictions conferred a countervailable subsidy. The subsidy panel has until December 16, 1993, to render its next decision.

Canada's softwood lumber exports to the United States totalled \$4.2 billion in 1992, accounting for 54 percent of Canadian lumber production. This decision will have no effect on the 6.51 percent cash deposit requirement currently being imposed on imports of softwood lumber from Canada.

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