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The Committee will submit an Interim Report on Canada-US trade and the question of Canadian participation in the US Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI) by August 23, and the Government has undertaken to await completion of the hearings before taking decisions in these policy areas. More generally the Government will make every effort not to preempt the ongoing work of the Committee during the one-year Review. However, it is understood that the flow of international events will inevitably require specific and timely policy responses by the Government during this period.

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