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MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE, JOHN C. CROSBIE,
ANNOUNCES COMPOSITION OF THE NEW SECTORAL ADVISORY GROUPS
ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE (SAGITs)

International Trade Minister, John C. Crosbie, announced today the composition of the re-constituted Sectoral Advisory Groups on International Trade (SAGITs).

The purpose of the re-constituted SAGITs, and the previously announced International Trade Advisory Committee (ITAC), is to provide a two-way flow of information and advice between the government and the Canadian private sector on international trade matters. "The SAGITs will provide the government with indepth sectoral expertise and advice on a wide range of international trade issues" said Mr. Crosbie.

Together, the thirteen SAGITs cover the full spectrum of Canadian economic activities. Some three hundred prominent members of the business, labour, consumer, academic, research and cultural communities have agreed to participate in these advisory committees. "I am delighted that such high calibre people have generously accepted to give their time and expertise to the Government of Canada. Their advice will help the Government define international trade policy and market development priorities" said Mr. Crosbie.

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