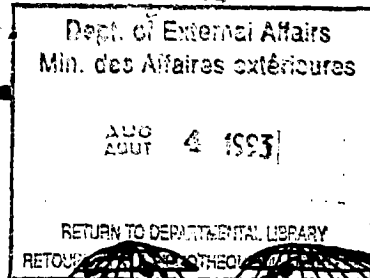


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**PRESS RELEASES:**

**Beatty to Sign Revised Canada-ASEAN Economic Co-operation Agreement**

**July 28, 1993, No. 149**

External Affairs Minister Perrin Beatty, attending the Association of Southeast Asian Nations Post Ministerial Conference (ASEAN PMC) in Singapore, signed a revised Economic Co-operation Agreement with the ASEAN countries. The Agreement provides for regular consultations between Canada and ASEAN through a Joint Co-operation Committee. "This revised agreement will better reflect the growing and meaningful partnership between Canada and ASEAN," said Mr. Beatty. "It will further strengthen Canada's relationship with one of the most dynamic regions of the world. Southeast Asia is a rapidly growing market, and trade with and investment in infrastructure both in the ASEAN countries and in Viet Nam represent unique opportunities for Canadian companies active in sectors such as power, communications and resource development," said Mr. Beatty.

**Hockin Responds to U.S. Injury Determinations on Canadian Steel Imports**

**July 27, 1993, No. 148**

The Honourable Tom Hockin, Minister for International Trade, expressed satisfaction with a ruling by the United States that imports of Canadian carbon steel hot rolled and cold rolled sheet did not injure the U.S. domestic industry. These two products make up about 60 percent of the Canadian steel products that were under investigation by the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC). "I am pleased that the ITC finding on hot rolled and cold rolled steel will terminate the anti-dumping cases on these two products," said Mr. Hockin. "Trade remedy actions like these make no commercial sense given the integrated nature of the North American steel market. The government will continue to support the Canadian steel industry with a view to finding a sensible resolution to the anti-dumping duties that still apply on other products."

**Hockins Welcomes FTA Injury Panel Decision on Softwood Lumber**

**July 26, 1993, No. 147**

The Honourable Tom Hockin, Minister for International Trade, said he was very pleased with the decision in Canada's favour by a Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement (FTA) binational panel reviewing the U.S. final injury determination in the softwood lumber dispute. "This is a very positive ruling for the Canadian softwood lumber industry," Mr. Hockin stated. "The binational panel has concluded that there simply was insufficient evidence available to the ITC to conclude that imports of lumber from Canada injured the U.S. domestic industry, an argument Canadian industry has made for some time. We are fortunate to have the FTA dispute settlement mechanism to review the basis of these decisions in an objective and impartial manner. We are confident that the U.S. duty will be overturned, resulting in a very real and tangible benefit to the Canadian softwood lumber industry. The Canadian industry took the lead in mounting Canada's defence in the injury proceedings. I congratulate the industry on today's results."

**Beatty to Participate in ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference**

**July 22, 1993, No. 146**

External Affairs Minister Perrin Beatty will lead the Canadian delegation to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations Post Ministerial Conference (ASEAN PMC) in Singapore from July 26 to 28. The PMC followed the annual ASEAN Ministerial Meeting July 23 and 24. It brought together the foreign ministers of the six ASEAN countries and the foreign ministers of Canada, Australia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, the United States and the European Community. "A key part of Canada's future lies in the building of political, economic, commercial and cultural ties with ASEAN," said Mr. Beatty. "The PMC allows us to discuss our common interests and concerns about human rights, security, trade and democratic development."