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Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky
United States Trade Representative
600 17th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20506
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Dear Ambassador Barshefsky:

I have the honour to confirm the understanding reached by the delegations of Canada, the United States of America and the United Mexican States, under Article 302.3 of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), to accelerate the elimination of customs duties with respect to certain goods as specified in the attached Annex to this letter.

I further propose that this letter and the Annex to this letter and your letter to me, together with your letter to Secretary Blanco Mendoza and his letter to you, and my letter to Secretary Blanco Mendoza and his letter to me shall constitute an agreement between the three countries. Pursuant to Article 302.3 of the NAFTA, this agreement between the Parties shall supersede duty rates or staging categories determined pursuant to each Party's tariff schedule to Annex 302.2 of the NAFTA for the goods specified in the attached Annex. I further confirm that this agreement shall enter into force on July 1, 1997, on exchange of written notifications certifying the completion of each Party's applicable legal procedures.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Sergio Marchi

Enclosure