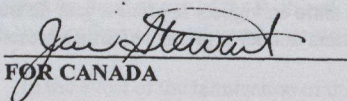


ARTICLE 28**Entry into Force**

This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the fourth month following the final day of the month in which the Parties shall have exchanged written notices through the diplomatic channel confirming that their respective legal requirements for the entry into force of this Agreement have been completed. The date of the exchange of the written notices shall be the date of the delivery of the last notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in two original copies at *Prague*, this *24th* day of *May* 2001, each in the English, French and Czech languages, all texts being equally authentic.


FOR CANADA

Jane Stewart


FOR THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Vladimir Spidla