

television transmission lines, and knitted garments. The main reason for this action is to assist Canadian manufacturers who are operating at below capacity or who have lost significant business to imports from the United Kingdom and Ireland. These imports will now be dutiable at Most-Favoured-Nation rates of duty. Since Britain and Ireland ended Canada's preferential access by joining the European Economic Community, Canada no longer has an obligation to extend preferential tariff treatment to British and Irish goods. Many of the remaining margins of preference will disappear as a result of tariff reductions made in the multilateral trade negotiations.

An amendment is being introduced to exclude tires for non-agricultural tractors from duty-free entry. This change is to assist Canadian manufacturers of industrial tractor tires and to correct an anomaly whereby tires used on the tractor portion of some equipment are free of duty while the same tires used on the non-tractor portion are subject to duty.

An amendment is also being proposed to impose a tariff on two basic chemicals used in the manufacture of pesticides. This action will result in substantial investments being made in expanded production of these chemicals and will help ensure a reliable Canadian source of supply. Formulated pesticides used in agricultural and other applications are now free of duty and will continue to be so.