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<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>CURRENT LAW</u>	<u>HOUSE</u>	<u>SENATE</u>	<u>ADMIN POSITION</u>	<u>CDN POSITION</u>
C. Actions Authorized	No provision.	"Trade and International Economic Policy Reform Act of 1987" (HR3) [passed April 30, 1987]	"Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1987" [H.R. 3(S. 1420)] [passed July 21, 1987]		
D. FCC Actions	No provision.	President may take any action permitted under Section 301, including action against imports. (the latter with Congressional authority). Generally, action to either fully offset foreign practice or restore balance of concessions.	Similar to House bill.		Canada objects to providing FCC with greater role in trade policy actions.
VIII MISCELLANEOUS TRADE LAW					
1. <u>Coffee Agreement</u>	Expires Oct. 1/87.	Directs FCC to report to Congress on sectoral reciprocity model process begun in 1986.	Extends U.S. participation until Oct. 1/89.	No provision. Prohibits entry of goods not conforming with FCC rules. Also provides for denial of goods to foreign supplier of service.	Same as House bill.
2. <u>Steel Imports</u>	Enforcement of voluntary restraint arrangements on steel under Steel Import Stabilization Act.	Provides authorization to employ 'melted and poured' as criterion for administration of restraint arrangements.	Same as House bill. It also adds certain wire products to restraint arrangements.	Opposes as it would compel renegotiation of restraint arrangements.	If imposed, rules would be variance with accepted international practice and would impact adversely on Canadian trade. May generate pressure for similar rules on other products.
			Gives USTR authority to take action necessary to ensure effectiveness of equity provisions of VRAs on steel.		Canada concerned with vagueness of authority. Could give Administration authority to take unilateral action against Canada.