Mr. Crosbie stressed that the TNC outcome with respect to agriculture will allow Canadian negotiators to engage in the detailed bargaining required to pursue Canadian objectives, including the elimination of export subsidies and the strengthening and clarification of Article X1.

Canada will be hosting two Ministerial meetings this autumn which will focus on the MTN. The first is an Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Ministerial Meeting in Vancouver on September 11-12. The second is a meeting of Trade Ministers from Canada, the U.S., EC and Japan, the so-called Quadrilateral group, in St. John's on October 12-13.

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