April 8, 1992. The ITC will make a final determination on the question of injury on May 23, 1992. Final determinations of subsidy and injury can be appealed by either party to binational panel review under the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement (FTA).

Canada has also called for the establishment of a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) panel to decide whether provincial stumpage practices constitute subsidies. As well, the panel will be asked to examine whether the U.S. decisions to self-initiate the countervailing duty investigation and to impose the interim bonding requirement were consistent with U.S. GATT obligations. The panel should be appointed by mid-January and could submit its findings as early as mid-March, 1992.

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