decision. It instructed the DOC to review its ruling on the countervailability of Canada's National Tripartite Stabilization Program and various other programs. The DOC responded on July 20, and the Canadian government and other interested parties have since filed submissions arguing that the DOC response did not satisfy the panel's instructions. This panel is expected to render its final decision on October 19.

As the 1985 U.S. imposition of duties on live swine predates the FTA, Canada has been able to take only the findings from each review period to a Chapter 19 Panel, and not the initial decision. Thus, only final determinations in administrative reviews by the DOC issued after January 1, 1989, may be reviewed by binational FTA panels.

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