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QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 87 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

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POST : 436-DUBLIN

001-AGRI & FOOD PRODUCTS & SERVICE IRELAND

PLANNING: ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

ALL SUB-SECTORS

GENERATE GREATER CANADIAN INVOLVEMENT IN IRISH (AND EEC) MARKETS THROUGH JOINT VENTURES WITH IRISH PARTNERS.

FOLLOW-UP RE POSSIBILITIES OF CO-OPERATION BETWEEN IRISH AND CANADIAN BREWERS

DISCUSS CANADIAN SOURCING OPTIONS WITH FRUIT IMPORTERS OF IRELAND LTD (FII).

DEVELOP MARKET FOR CANADIAN WINE.

FOLLOW UP MEETINGS WITH KERRY CO-OP CONCERNING TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY IN FOOD SECTOR. KERRY CO-OP ALSO INTERESTED IN INVESTMENT POSSIBILITIES IN CANADA.

TRACKING: ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 ENCOURAGE CON INDUSTRY TO CONSIDER TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER(DAIRY, MEAT AND FISH PRODUCTS) WITH IRISH INDUSTRY.

QUARTER: 2 ASSESS POSSIBILITIES OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.

QUARTER: 3 -----

QUARTER: 4 -----

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

SERIOUS INTEREST IN THIS CONCEPT ON THE PART OF IRISH INDUSTRY AND AUTHORITIES. EASIER ACCESS TO IRISH & EEC MARKETS.

HIGHLY COMPETITIVE MARKET. INITIAL CONTACT.

INCREASING INTEREST ON PART OF FII IN NEW SOURCES.

SAMPLES EN ROUTE TO LOCAL WINE IMPORTER/ RETAILER.

CANADIAN CONSULTANT TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO KERRY CO-OP. POSSIBLE VISIT TO CANADA.

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

DESPITE POST EFFORTS, THE LEVEL OF INTEREST ON PART OF CDN FIRMS HAS BEEN DISAPPOINTING. IRISH FIRMS ARE SERIOUSLY INTERESTED. CDN BEER & WINE NOW BEING MARKETED IN IRELAND.

DESPITE THE POOR RESULTS TO DATE, WE INTEND TO CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS AND DEVELOP NEW CONTACTS WITH A LARGER SPECTRUM OF CANADIAN INDUSTRY.