

- c) facilitation of collaboration through studies, missions, seminars and visits, and other investment promotion activities, bearing in mind ASEAN priorities and those sectors of acknowledged Canadian specialization and excellence;
- d) support for the investigation of proposed collaborative ventures by financing starter studies and undertaking their assessment by viability studies;
- e) enhancing the developmental impact of industrial ventures by providing assistance with such inputs as project preparation, training, market development and support for technological transfers.

ARTICLE IV

Subject to their respective laws, regulations and other related directives governing foreign investment and to international agreements and arrangements, the Contracting Parties undertake to maintain a mutually beneficial investment climate and recognize the importance of according fair and equitable treatment to individuals and private enterprises of the member countries of ASEAN and Canada, including treatment with respect to investments, taxation, repatriation of profits and capital.

PART II

Commercial Cooperation

ARTICLE V

The Contracting Parties agree to hold regular high level consultations regarding liberalization and expansion of their trade and other commercial relations without prejudice to the provisions of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade or to any other bilateral agreement and arrangement between the Contracting Parties on the matter.