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MINISTER WILSON TO ATTEND CANADA-U.S. TRADE COMMISSION AND NAFTA MEETINGS IN SEATTLE

The Honourable Michael H. Wilson, Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade, will attend meetings in Seattle August 18 to 20.

On August 18, Minister Wilson and U.S. Trade Representative Carla A. Hills, who together constitute the Canada-U.S. Trade Commission, will discuss issues relating to the implementation and management of the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement (FTA).

On August 19 and 20, Minister Wilson will meet with Ambassador Hills and Mexican Secretary of Commerce Jaime Serra Puche to review progress made in the North American Free Trade (NAFTA) negotiations and to plan further work to move the negotiations forward.

Since the inaugural Ministerial meeting on NAFTA in Toronto on June 12, working groups have completed two rounds of meetings, and the chief negotiators have held two plenary meetings, in Washington and Cocoyoc, Mexico, respectively.

A program of Mr. Wilson's trip to Seattle is attached.

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