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December 15, 1994

The Honourable Michael Kantor U.S. Trade Representative 600 - 17th Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Ambassador Kantor:

I confirm receipt of your letter of today's date which reads as follows:

Dear Minister MacLaren:

I have the honor to confirm my government's acceptance of the attached paper, "Elements of a Consultative Process", representing our mutual agreement to begin a consultative process on trade in softwood lumber and related forestry resource issues.

Further, it is understood by both governments that this consultative process will be undertaken without prejudice to the rights of either side to take measures under domestic law or international agreements, and without diminishing the obligations of either side under domestic law or international agreements.

I propose that this letter, and your confirmation in reply, shall constitute acceptance by your government of the consultative process as outlined in the attached paper.

Sincerely,

Michael Kantor

This exchange of letters constitutes acceptance by our two governments of a consultative process as outlined in the attached paper.

Yours sincerely,

Roy MacLaren