

Canadian Forest Industries Council and affiliated companies formally requested panel review of the Commerce department's final determination of subsidy. This first panel will report its findings in April 1993, within the time frame established for such panels under the Free Trade Agreement.

In addition, a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Subsidies Code Panel has been established to examine Canada's complaint that the United States had no basis on which to initiate this case. The panel will report its findings later this summer.

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