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QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 88 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

POST : 601-BOSTON

013-CONSUMER PRODUCTS & SERVICES UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

ALL SUB-SECTORS

ASSESSMENT OF PARTICIPATION BY CONSUMER PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS IN INCREASED CONSUMER PRODUCT INITIATIVES IN NEW EXPORTER EVENTS (NEBS)

NEW ENGLAND MARKET.

PROFESSIONAL MARKET STUDY OF APPAREL INDUSTRY IN NEW ENGLAND. PERMIT CDN COS WITH LITTLE CURRENT SUCCESS TO ENHANCE OPPORTUNITIES. 10 COMPANIES AND \$1 M.

POST TO CONDUCT STUDY OF FURNITURE MARKET IN MASSACHUSETTS. FACILITATE INCREASED MARKET PENETRATION BY CANADIAN COMPANIES. EXPECT \$10M IN GROWTH.

POST TO ASSESS GIFTWARE AND CRAFTS OPPORTUNITIES IN NEW ENGLAND. DEVELOP MARKETING STRATEGY INFORMATION FOR THIS SECTOR.

TRACKING: ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 ORGANIZE 4 NEW EXPORTER TO BORDER STATES FOR RE-PRESENTATIVES FROM PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, NEW BRUN-SWICK, NOVA SCOTIA, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND AND NEWFOUNDLAND.

QUARTER: 2 Organize two day seminar for New Exporters to Border States in consumer goods sector.

OUARTER: 3 New Exporters to Border States seminar organized for Rimouski area firms to Jackman, Me. New Exporters to Border States seminar for Atlantic Canada firms in conjunction with Build Boston 88.

QUARTER: 4 A) Sponsored 3 buyers to Cdn Intl. Womens Wear Show in Mtl. B) Sponsored 1 Buyer to Atl Cda Crafts Show, Halifax. C) Sponsored 3 buyers Toronto Furniture Market. D) Sponsored 4 buyers Toronto Intl. Boat Show.

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

A TOTAL OF 107 PERSONS FROM CDA PARTICIPATED IN THE 4 SEMINARS ORGANIZED BY POST. MAJORITY OF COYS WERE IN CONSUMER GOODS SECTOR. ON BASIS OF PREVIOUS NEBS EXPERIENCE, 50% OF COYS SHOULD BE EXPORTING WITHIN 12 MONTHS.

35 company representatives from Nova Scotia (mostly in consumer goods sector) participated in two day event in Boston.

22 companies participated mostly in consumer products sector.

24 firms from Atlantic Canada NB 10, NF 5, PEI 9 in construction sector participated in seminar and attended Build Boston Show.

Follow up on all shows will take place during next quarter.