

ARTICLE IX

Recognizing the importance of financing for the further development of trade relations, the Contracting Parties shall make efforts to promote the extension of commercial credits on conditions as favourable as possible.

ARTICLE X

1. Contracts relating to trade in goods and/or services shall be concluded between natural and juridical persons of Canada and juridical persons of the German Democratic Republic authorized to participate in foreign trade.

2. The natural and juridical persons of each Contracting Party shall enjoy access to the courts of the other Contracting Party on the same basis as natural and juridical persons of any other country.

ARTICLE XI

1. Each Contracting Party shall, in accordance with its laws and regulations, facilitate the holding of trade fairs and exhibitions by natural and juridical persons of the other Contracting Party.

2. Each Contracting Party shall, in the interest of developing mutual trade relations, give sympathetic consideration to participating in international fairs and exhibitions in the country of the other Contracting Party and to promoting and facilitating the participation of its enterprises and firms in such fairs and exhibitions.

ARTICLE XII

All payments for goods and/or services made under this Agreement shall be effected in freely convertible currencies traded in the major international foreign exchange markets.

ARTICLE XIII

In order to encourage the development of their trade relations, a Mixed Commission composed of representatives of the Contracting Parties shall meet, as mutually agreed, in principle on an annual basis, alternately in Berlin and Ottawa or such other place as may be mutually agreed upon. The functions of the Mixed Commission shall include, in particular:

- (a) reviewing the implementation of the Agreement;
- (b) examining the possibilities of increasing and diversifying trade between Canada and the German Democratic Republic;
- (c) examining the possibilities of economic cooperation and technical assistance in setting up industrial projects in Canada or the German Democratic Republic and in selected third countries.