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PANEL ESTABLISHED UNDER CHAPTER 19 OF THE CANADA-U.S. FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

International Trade Minister John C. Crosbie announced today the appointment of three Canadian panelists to a five-member panel established under Chapter 19 of the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement. The panel has been established to review the final results of an anti-dumping administrative review made by the International Trade Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce for the period September 1, 1985 through August 31, 1986 with respect to sheet piling from Canada.

Ivan Feltham of Toronto, Michael Goldie of Vancouver and Gilbert Winham of Halifax will serve as Canadian panelists in this matter. The United States panelists will be Joseph Dennin and G. Hamilton Loeb. The panel will convene shortly to select its chairperson.

Under Chapter 19 of the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement, judicial review of final determinations by domestic courts in countervailing and anti-dumping duty cases is replaced, at the request of an interested party, by a review by fivemember panels comprised of five Canadians and Americans. Each country chooses two members and the fifth is chosen by agreement between the Parties. Prior to the Free Trade Agreement, this case would have been reviewed judicially by a United States domestic court. Findings of the panel are binding on both governments. The panel is to make its decision within 315 days of the request for panel review.

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