

Mr. Clark said, "the Mack Amendment is clearly unacceptable. The implementation of this Amendment would most certainly have a negative impact on the trade which Canadian subsidiaries have built up with Cuba over the years. The U.S. leaves us no choice but to take this action."

The Canadian Embassy in Washington has made a strong protest to the U.S. Government concerning this extraterritorial measure.

Since 1963, Canada has rejected attempts by the United States to regulate trade by Canada-based companies with Cuba. Parliament passed FEMA in 1984 to provide a basis in law to counter the extraterritorial application of foreign laws in Canada. This is the first time a blocking order has been issued under the Act.

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