

authority to make injury determinations on an impartial Joint Committee composed of respected experts on international trade issues.

Evaluation: Because the ITC is already considered an impartial body primarily concerned with factfinding, it would be difficult to justify transferring its authority to the Committee.

3. Political and Diplomatic Resolution

The FTA could provide for early consultation and a bilateral process for resolving dumping cases on a political or diplomatic basis (see section IV.A.3. above).

Evaluation: Political/diplomatic resolution of antidumping actions appears inappropriate, as government policies are not normally at issue in this context. Therefore, neither binding nor nonbinding dispute resolution of antidumping injury determinations would likely be acceptable to the U.S. Government.

C. Proposals to Limit Safeguards Actions

GATT Art. XIX ("the escape clause") permits member countries to impose import relief on products being