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Export and Investment Promotion Planning System

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88/89 A. Post export program priorities

Region: LATIN AMERICA-CARIBBEAN

Mission: 658 BRIDGETOWN

Market: 525 BARBADOS

The Mission selected the following sectors as priority areas for export promotion activities for the coming fiscal year:

1. 001 AGRI & FOOD PRODUCTS & SERVICE

REASONS: PROCESSED & SEMI PROCESSED FOOD PRODS REQUIRED FOR THE CRITICALLY IM-PORTANT N. AMERICAN ORIENTED TOURISM IND.; AGRICULTURAL DIVERSIFICATION EFFORTS THROUGHOUT TERRITORY INCLUDING LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT.

2. 015 CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

REASONS: SIGNIFICANT EXPENDITURES IN EXPANDING AND UPGRADING TOURISM PLANT; HOUSING A HIGH PRIORITY IN MOST OF TERRITORY; INFRASTRUCTURE RELATED ACTIVITIES OF IFI'S.

3. 005 COMM. & INFORM. EQP. & SERV

REASONS: IMPROVING COMMUNICA'NS & INFO. A PRIGRITY OF MOST TERRITORY GOVTS AND PROJS UNDERWAY FINANCED BY IFI'S, CIDA/EDC ETC; ENHANCED USE OF COM-PUTER DATA AT BUSINESS, GOVT AND EDUCATIONAL LEVELS.

4. 014 EDUCATION, MEDICAL, HEALTH PROD

REASONS: UPGRADING HEALTH CARE AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES. PRIORITIES FOR TER-RITORY GOVERNMENTS PLUS FOR IFI'S AND BILATERAL FUNDING AGENCIES.

The most important current Canadian export sectors to this market are (based on actual export sales):

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- 2. 005 COMM. & INFORM. EQP. & SERV
- 3. 015 CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

4. 014 EDUCATION, MEDICAL, HEALTH PROD