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	Auteur		Champ d'activité	Position face à un ALE	Commentaires (Les sujets abordés se trouvent entre parenthèses)
1	3M Canada Company Mr. Pierre Campeau Director Ottawa ON	02 Feb. 2001	Manufacturer - Exporter	For	(General) - 3M Canada supports free trade to any country or region and had approximately \$930,000 worth of exports to the CA4.
2	Alberta Oats Limited Ms. Lori M. Loree Marketing Assistant Edmonton AB	29 Jan. 2001	Agriculture/ Oats and oat products	For	(General) - Currently conducts business in Costa Rica, Guatemala and Panama. - Company would be more competitive in CentAm with an FTA in place. - Would be interested in a similar agreement with South American countries.
3	Alcan Chemicals Mr. John McCormack President Cleveland Ohio	16 Jan. 2001	Manufacturer/ Chemicals	N/A	(General) - Have clients in Costa Rica, Guatemala and Nicaragua. - Do not foresee any investment in the region; will focus on the supply of specialty chemicals.
4	Amnesty International Canada Mr. Alex Neve Secretary General Ottawa ON	02 Feb. 2001	NGO/ Human Rights	N/A	(Human rights) Have serious concerns that any FTAs include comprehensive and meaningful attention to human rights. FTA negotiations should not proceed at the expense of human rights. A CDA-CA4 FTA must be matched by a strong, vibrant mechanism for addressing human rights concerns and promote reform. Calls on the five states concerned to ratify the key human rights treaties of the OAS and to follow up with active cooperation with the OAS human rights institutions. Letter provided a description and the status of six instruments dealing with a wide range of human rights issues and noted that Canada is not a party to any of the agreements.

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