

potential suppliers. An impartial reviewing authority will investigate situations where suppliers believe they have been unfairly treated and will ensure a timely decision. The reviewing authority will also be able to recommend changes in procurement procedures in accordance with the Agreement.

There are detailed provisions for the regular exchange of government procurement information. This will enable careful monitoring of the implementation of the chapter on an annual basis and will assist in resolving problems and providing the foundation for further negotiations in the GATT and bilaterally.

Annex 1304.3 reproduces the GATT Annex setting out for each country the purchasing entities whose purchases above the threshold are covered by both the GATT and this Agreement.

For the United States, 11 out of 13 government departments are covered by the GATT Code, with the only exceptions being the Departments of Energy and Transport. A total of 40 governmental agencies and commissions, as well as NASA and the General Services Administration (the common government purchasing agency) are included. Department of Defense purchases are covered within certain defined product categories such as vehicles, engines, industrial equipment and components, computer software and equipment, and commercial supplies.

For Canada, 22 government departments and 10 agencies are covered. Department of National Defence purchases of certain defined products, mainly non-military, are also covered. The Departments of Transport, Communications, and Fisheries and Oceans are not included.

Canada's access to U.S. defence procurement of military goods under the Defence Production Sharing Arrangements is not affected by this chapter.