resident of Canada applying therefor an import certificate stating that the applicant has undertaken to import the goods described in the certificate within the time specified therein and containing such other information as the regulations require."

Import Certificate Regulations (C.R.C., c.603) provide for the issuance of import certificates which are required by the country of export before it will allow goods to be shipped to Canada. They also provide for the issuance of Delivery-Verification Certificates for goods imported into Canada to comply with the requirements. The purpose of these regulations is to prevent the diversion in transit or the unauthorized trans-shipments of certain of the more advanced electronic goods as well as other sensitive military and strategic goods which are controlled internationally through the Co-ordinating Committee for Strategic Trade Controls (COCOM).

As a member of COCOM, Canada has recognized the necessity of this international control mechanism whereby the primary responsibility for controlling the movement of strategic commodities is transferred to the importing countries, as acknowledged by their issue of Import Certificates, and hence becomes subject to their export control regulations. A Delivery-Verification Certificate is required in support of certain imports and allows the importer to present evidence that a shipment has been delivered in accordance with the terms of the export licence and import certificate previously obtained.

The following is a statistical summary of certificates processed during 1985.

Import Certificates issued.....2,127 Delivery-Verification Certificates issued....788