On the basis of the above process, the following products and product groups were selected to be the subject of this report:

• Devices to control flow of liquids, gases or solids, nspf, and parts, including ballcock mechanisms (Schedule A 7492055).

A full description of these products in terms of Canadian trade classification, CITC, is presented in Appendix 3.

U.S. IMPORTS 1982-1987

A breakdown of 1987 imports of the above taps, cocks and valves product group by country is presented in Appendix 4. Europe and Japan captured a large portion (76.44%) of the U.S. import market for this product group in 1987. West Germany and the United Kingdom were the two largest European exporters to the United States.

Chart 1, following, illustrates the distribution of total U.S. dollar imports for the above product group for the 1982-1987 period.