

MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE CAIRNS GROUP

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

MINISTERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CAIRNS GROUP (ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, CANADA, CHILE, COLOMBIA, HUNGARY, INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, PHILIPPINES, NEW ZEALAND, THAILAND, AND URUGUAY) MET IN OTTAWA 21-23 MAY, 1987. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE USA, JAPAN AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES WERE PRESENT AS OBSERVERS AT THE MEETING.

THE KEYNOTE SPEECH WAS DELIVERED BY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE BRIAN MULRONEY, PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA.

MINISTERS REVIEWED INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS AFFECTING AGRICULTURE, IN PARTICULAR THE LAUNCHING OF A NEW ROUND OF TRADE NEGOTIATIONS UNDER THE GATT AND THE OUTCOME OF THE RECENT MEETING OF MINISTERS OF OECD COUNTRIES, AND DISCUSSED OPTIONS FOR FUTURE ACTION BY THE GROUP.