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QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 87 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

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PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

COMPUTERS, SOFTWARE & SYSTEMS

DATABASE COMPILED BY POST OF AGENTS, DISTRIBUTORS AND PURCHASERS OF INFORMATICS WILL BE UPDATED.

MASS MAILINGS OF DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS, GREATER PERSONAL CONTACT WITH FINNISH IMPORTERS.

PREPARE REPORT IN FINNISH INFORMATICS MARKET AND FORWARD TO OTTAWA AND CANADIAN FIRMS.

BROADCASTING (INC CATV)

REPORT DEVELOPMENTS IN CATV AND TV BROADCASTING, WHICH ARE MOVING VERY QUICKLY IN FINLAND, TO DOC + CANADIAN FIRMS.

PREPARE REPORT ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CATV IN FINLAND, FORWARD TO DOC AND CANADIAN SUPPLIERS

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED ASSISTANCE TO CANADIAN EXPORTERS, INCREASE NUMBER OF AGENTS/DISTRIBUTORS REPRESENTING CANADIAN FIRMS.

INCREASED FINNISH AWARENESS OF CDN INFORMATIC CAPABILITIES, GREATER NUMBER OF AGENTS/DISTRIBUTORS FOR CDN FIRMS.

BETTER KNOWLEDGE OF OPPORTUNITIES IN FINLAND.

SIGNIFICANT PARTICIPATION BY CANADIAN COMPA-NIES IN CATY DEVELOPMENTS.

INCREASED CANADIAN SALES.

TRACKING:

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 ORGANIZED COMPUTER JOURNALIST MISSION TO CANADA.
UPDATE POST DATABASE OF COMPUTER AGENTS AND IMP-

ORTERS UNDERTAKE MAILINGS OF CANADIAN HIGH-TECH

DIRECTORIES.

QUARTER: 2 COMPLETED "INFORMATICS IN FINLAND" REPORT. MASS

MAILING OF CANADA IN WORLD OF COMPUTING.

CONTINUE UPDATING DISTRIBUTORS DATABASE

QUARTER: 3 REPORT DEVELOPMENTS IN COMPUTER, SOFTWARE &

CATV MARKETS.

QUARTER: 3 INFORMTICS MISSION TO FINLAND.

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

COMMERCIAL OFFICER ACCOMPANIED 4 NORDIC JOURNAL-ISTS WHO RECEIVED EXCELLENT OVERVIEW OF CDN COM-PUTER CAPABILITIES. DUE TO SUPERIOR CONTACTS NEW CDN EXPORTERS OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE ARE ENTERING THE FINNISH MARKET.

REPORT SENT TO TTT AND SOME CANADIAN FIRMS.
INCREASED KNOWLEDGE OF CANADIAN CAPABILITIES,
MORE AGENTS, SALES. 100 PLUS FIRMS NOW
REGISTERED.

COMPLETED A REPORT ON REMOTE SENSING IN FINLAND, SENT IT TO TTT, DRIE & CDN FIRMS WHICH HAD RECENTLY EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN THE FINNISH MARKET. INFORMATION ON NEW CATV & TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACTS WAS FORWARDED TO DOC & CDN FIRMS.

ARRANGED APPOINTMENTS WITH POTENTIAL DISTRIBUTOR FOR THE 8 MISSION COS. MISSION WAS SUCCESSFUL, SALES PROSPECTS ARE GOOD & NEW AGENCY AGREEMENTS & DIRECT SALES EXPECTED SHORTLY.