

**CANADA – CERTAIN MEASURES CONCERNING PERIODICALS**

Status Report by Canada

Addendum

The following communication, dated 10 July 1998, from the Permanent Mission of Canada to the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

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Status Report Regarding Implementation of the Recommendations and Rulings in the  
Dispute Regarding Canada – Certain Measures Concerning Periodicals  
Panel Report (WT/DS31/R) and Appellate Body Report (WT/DS31/AB/R)

In keeping with the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), Canada is obliged to inform the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) of the status of implementation of the recommendations and rulings in the dispute regarding "Canada - Certain Measures Concerning Periodicals". This matter will again be on the agenda of the DSB on 23 July 1998 and, as provided for in Article 21:6 DSU, Canada presents its fourth report.

As described in our status reports of 25 March 1998 and 22 April 1998, the repeal of Part V.1 of the Excise Tax Act requires an Act of Parliament. The number of tax bills that can be put before the House is limited and it is expected that the next tax bill will go before the House this fall. The repealing provision could be contained within that bill. The amendment of the Customs Tariff could be accomplished by an Order in Council. Both measures could be made to apply as of 30 October 1998. These issues, as well as changes to the postal subsidies, will be discussed at the highest levels in the near future.

Canadian Ministers will announce how they plan to implement the WTO decision in the next few months.

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