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TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ARTICLE XXVIII:5 NEGOTIATIONS

Schedule XX - United States of America

The following communication, dated 6 April 1981, has been received from the United States Permanent Mission.

The Government of the United States of America has notified the CONTRACTING PARTIES that it reserved the right, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 5 of Article XXVIII of the General Agreement, to modify Schedule XX - United States of America during the three-year period commencing 1 January 1979 (document L/4753).

I now have the honour to ask you to notify the CONTRACTING PARTIES that the United States of America intends to withdraw the following concession included in Schedule XX - United States of America.

<u>Tariff Item Number</u>	<u>Description of Products</u>	<u>Rate of Duty</u>
ex. 427.88	Ethyl alcohol when imported to be used in producing a mixture of gasoline and alcohol or a mixture of a special fuel and alcohol for use as fuel, or when imported to be used otherwise as fuel	3%

Available import statistics are attached to this communication. Canada, the European Community, and Peru maintain the initial negotiating rights to this tariff item.

The United States of America is prepared to enter into negotiations or consultations in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article XXVIII.

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Imports by the United States of America 1/  
(in U.S. \$000)

<u>Tariff item Number</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>Average 1977/79</u>	<u>Jan.-Nov. 1979</u>	<u>Jan.-Nov. 1980</u>
427.88 Total	14,807	18,857	25,190	19,618	22,529	71,423
(Ethyl alcohol Canada	8,773	7,166	9,737	8,559	9,304	11,609
for non- Brazil	1	0	2,430	810	1,802	49,417
beverage Argentina	3,535	3,818	6,538	4,630	4,945	10,376
purposes) U Kingdom	1,674	7,663	5,559	4,965	5,559	0

1/ Statistics are not available for the ex-out of item 427.88 which is affected by the withdrawal. However, it has been estimated that imports from Canada, Argentina and the United Kingdom will not be affected because these imports are for non-fuel purposes.