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Statistics and Information Systems Division

After the retirement of Mr. Raynal, Chief Statistician, and in the framework of the programme of office automation and computerisation on which the organization is embarked, I have decided to create, with immediate effect, a new division, the Statistics and Information Systems Division. This division will be in Operational Department B, under the responsibility of Mr. Carlisle. It will work in close collaboration with the Economic Research and Analysis Unit and the Trade Policies Review Division, as well as with all divisions requiring central services in statistics and electronic data processing.

I have decided to appoint Mr. Jean-Maurice Léger as the Director of the new division. Mr. Léger is a Canadian national, born in March 1944. Mr. Léger has spent his whole career in the Canadian public service; his most recent functions have been those of Director of the International Trade Division of Statistics Canada. Mr. Léger's appointment is expected to take effect at the beginning of September 1989.

The new division will have two sections: the Statistics Section, headed by Mr. N. Valsamidis, who is named Chief Statistician, and the Information Systems Section, headed by Mr. J. Vigogne.

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Director-General