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Dear Coles

VISIT OF YUGOSLAV PRIME MINISTER

At the request of Robert Charlesworth in the FCO, I attach an extra brief on anti-dumping for the visit of Mrs Planinc. I understand that this was suggested by Mr Scott, the British Ambassador in Belgrade.

Yours sincerely

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VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF
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ANTI-DUMPING

POINTS TO MAKE

1. (Defensive) If the subject is raised it can be explained that the European Commission has responsibility for taking anti-dumping action on behalf of Community industries which are being damaged by dumped or subsidised goods. Any problems should therefore be referred to the Commission. Commission investigations are conducted in accordance with the internationally agreed GATT rules for the preservation of fair trade.



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ESSENTIAL FACTS

1. A brief summary of current, recently closed or potential EC anti-dumping cases against Yugoslav imports is given below:

Current cases

Copper Sulphate(also from Czechoslovakia and USSR). A definitive anti-dumping duty was imposed on Yugoslav imports in March this year following a complaint from the Italian industry. The procedure was re-opened recently because of recurrence of dumping which is causing renewed injury. There are no imports into the UK from Yugoslavia.

Artificial Corundum(also from China, Spain and Czechoslovakia). This case was opened in September on behalf of the entire Community, including the UK, although not currently suffering from these imports.

Unwrought Aluminium(also from Egypt, USSR, Surinam and Norway). Opened in February against Yugoslavia - the investigation is continuing.

Cases recently closed

Ferrosilicon(also from Venezuela, Iceland, Norway and Sweden). This case was closed in March this year with the acceptance of price undertakings from all the importing countries. UK imports are minimal.

Caravans. This case was closed in August after the Commission had accepted price undertakings from the Yugoslavs.

Codeine(also from other Eastern European countries). Mainly a West German complaint which resulted in closure of the case without remedy.

Potential Case(IN CONFIDENCE)

Tyres. The EC tyre industry is preparing a case against imports of radial tyres from Eastern Europe, including Yugoslavia. The UK trade association is in the lead.

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