

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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UNITED STATES - PROCUREMENT OF A SONAR MAPPING SYSTEM  
BY THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Establishment of a Panel

Communication from the Chairman

At its meeting on 12 July 1991, the Committee on Government Procurement established a panel to examine the complaint of the European Community concerning the procurement by the United States National Science Foundation of a sonar mapping system. I wish to inform the Committee that agreement has been reached on the following composition of the Panel:

Chairman: H.E. Mr. William Rossier

Members: Mr. John Clarke  
Mr. Francois Nadeau

The Panel has the following terms of reference:

"To examine, in the light of the relevant provisions of this Agreement, the matter referred to the Committee by the European Communities on 12 July 1991; to consult regularly with the parties to the dispute and give full opportunity for them to develop a mutually satisfactory solution; and to make a statement concerning the facts of the matter as they relate to the application of this Agreement and to make such findings as will assist the Committee in making recommendations or giving rulings on the matter."

Ms. Annet Blank, Secretary to the Committee on Government Procurement, is secretary to the Panel.