

*The International Policy Council on Agriculture, Food and Trade presents a ...*

## **Seminar:**

# **Agriculture & the WTO Agenda**

## **Preparing for the Singapore Ministerial Conference**

*October 3-4, 1996*

*Palliser Hotel • Calgary, Canada*

The World Trade Organization (WTO) Ministerial Conference this December in Singapore will review the implementation of the Uruguay Round Agreement of GATT and make plans for future multilateral trade negotiations. Agriculture will certainly figure prominently on the agenda on both accounts.

The International Policy Council on Agriculture, Food and Trade (IPC) is dedicated to developing and advocating policies that support a healthy global food and agricultural system through trade. The IPC position is that further trade reforms are essential to the future of world agriculture and that steps should be taken in Singapore to begin discussing the composition and direction of these reforms. To this end, the IPC is holding a seminar in Calgary, Canada October 3-4 to discuss future trade reform in agriculture as a means of preparing a message for the WTO Ministerial Conference. The seminar will outline ideas and approaches for a work program that the Ministers may discuss in Singapore.

The IPC believes your organization has a stake in the global food and agricultural system and that you stand to benefit from attending this important and timely seminar. Please fill out and return the enclosed registration form indicating your intention to attend the October 3-4 seminar.

## **SEMINAR AGENDA**

Seminar Chairmen:

- **Lord Plumb of Coleshill**, Member & Former President, European Parliament (IPC Chairman)
- **Aart de Zeeuw**, Former Chairman, GATT Agricultural Negotiations Committee (IPC Member)
- **Bill Miner**, Former Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Canada (IPC Member)
- **Glenn Flaten**, Former President, Agriculture Institute of Canada (IPC Member)

### **Thursday, October 3** (7:30 pm)

Reception and dinner at Palliser Hotel (downtown Calgary)

Opening address by **Mr. Ralph Goodale**, Canadian Minister of Agriculture (Invited)

### **Friday, October 4** (9:00 am - 5:30 pm)

**Session One: *WTO Agricultural Agenda***

**Session Two: *Regional Trading Arrangements within the Context of the WTO***

**Session Three: *Global Food Security and World Trade***

With a lunch address by **Mr. Walter Paszkowski**, Alberta Minister of Agriculture (Invited)

