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**Committee on Subsidies
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SUBSIDIES

Questions from the UNITED STATES Regarding the New and Full Notification of ARGENTINA¹

The following communication, dated 18 January 1999, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the United States.

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1. Regarding "Mining", please provide the form of subsidy for Decree Nos. 554/81, 2,686/93 and 779/95.
 2. Under "Forestry Activities", how long will Decree No. 711/95 and Act No. 24,857 remain in effect?
 3. Regarding "Free Zones (Act No. 24,331)":
 - (a) Please explain what is meant by the "regional integration process".
 - (b) Under which legislation was this subsidy granted?
 - (c) Please describe what kind of services are rendered.
 - (d) What is the total amount or annual amount budgeted for this programme?

¹ G/SCM/N/38/ARG.