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On May 18 in Lima, spokespersons for the Cartagena Agreement headquarters told reporters that the Andean Pact ministerial level meeting scheduled for May 19-20 had been postponed. The meeting is now set for early June in Quito, Ecuador. (See Chronicle 05/14/92, 04/30/92 for coverage of recent developments regarding concerns over future of Andean free trade agreement.) The spokespersons said that since the Peruvian government decided to restore preferential tariffs on imports from Pact member-nations, the agenda will be comprised "only of pending topics." The most important "pending issue" is definition of a common tariff applied to imports originating from outside the Pact. Member-nations are Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela. The Peruvian government's decision was announced over the weekend by Industry Minister Jorge Camet. (Basic data from Agence France-Presse, 05/18/92)

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