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International Disparity in Land Prices\*

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RRH: DISPARITY IN LAND PRICES

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Abstract

This paper tests two hypotheses concerning the long run relationship  
...Text...

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2. Disparity in Land Prices

Direct Demand for Land

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text...text...text...

text...

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Not

Proposition 1:

Assume that a unilateral tariff reduction....

But

Proposition 1: *Assume that a unilateral tariff reduction...*

Proof. Let ...

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3. ...text (Brown, 1985; Adams, 1990, p. 45).

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