

So therefore, what we're really seeking to achieve in this agreement is stability, common playing field, and a fair set of rules. You know, the New York Giants could not have won the Super Bowl if Denver would have had the ability after each Giant touchdown of changing the rules and appointing their own referees to impose those rules. Dennis Connor could not have won the Americas Cup back if he had been vulnerable to the Australian challenger, every time they got behind, being able to protest, write their own rules, and put their own umpire/referee in to change those rules. What we need, then, is stability in the relationship. We need a level playing field, but it must be a single playing field.

Now, how will this negotiation take place? We all agree it's important. We all agree it must be done. We all agree we must have rules that are fair to both sides. Well, I think you understand very easily the U.S. system, that Congress is given the administration of fast track process to negotiate an agreement, and I know you all understand that under that agreement it must be prepared by October, and then of course that Congress has the ability to reject the agreement or sustain it, but they can't amend it.

In Canada, we're a little more complicated. In Canada, our system of government is different and that has caused concern to some of the negotiators. In Canada, we have two orders of government in the provinces are not, in some areas, subservient to the federal government. They have their own rights and responsibilities. They have control over the service