

## The Commission

1. The Parties hereby establish the Canada-United States Trade Commission (the Commission) to supervise the proper implementation of the Agreement, to resolve disputes that may arise over the interpretation and application of the Agreement, to oversee the further elaboration of the Agreement, and to consider any other matter that may affect the operation of the Agreement.
2. The Commission shall be composed of representatives of both Parties. The principal representative of each Party shall be the cabinet-level officer or Minister primarily responsible for international trade matters, or the respective designee of that official.
3. Each Party shall preside in alternate years over the Commission, which shall convene at least once a year in regular session to review the general functioning of the Agreement. Regular sessions of the Commission shall be held alternately in the two countries.
4. The Commission may establish and delegate responsibilities to such subsidiary ad hoc or standing committees or working groups as it deems necessary and appropriate. The Commission may also draw on the advice of the non-governmental individuals or groups where appropriate.
5. All decisions of the Commission shall be taken by consensus.
6. The Commission shall establish its own rules and procedures.

## Notification

1. Each Party shall provide written notice to the other Party of any proposed or actual legislation, regulation or governmental procedure or practice that it considers might materially affect the operation of this Agreement. The notice shall include, whenever appropriate, a description of the reasons for the proposed or actual measure.