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Frank Miller, a contender for the Ontario PC leadership, suggested Canada abandon free trade initiatives with the U.S. in favour of securing a more stable trading relationship. He said any trade-offs the U.S. might expect or negotiate would likely end up hurting whole industries in Canada.

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(by Patrick Nagle, Southam)

In New York, P.M. Mulroney said policies would be put in place to attract capital to Canada, but they cannot be legislated before the spring of 1985 budget. He said Canada, under his leadership, would emphasize trade, particularly with the U.S.

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Joe Clark said Canada should mount a civil but forceful campaign against growing protectionism in the U.S. and that Canada isn't considering a free trade agreement with the U.S.

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Conference Board of Canada predicted that growth in the Canadian economy would end next year as the country becomes trapped in a vice of slower U.S. expansion and higher interest rates. Lloyd Atkinson of the Bank of Montreal, however, predicts that measures to cut the U.S. deficit will be implemented and that interest rates there will fall by 2 per cent.

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Sylvia Ostry, co-ordinator of international economic relations for the federal government, says Canada should work with the U.S. to keep the economic system open and try to persuade other trading partners that their best interests lie in adjustment to change, not protectionism.

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Prime Minister Mulroney says he wants to enhance the trading relationship between Canada and the U.S., but his government hasn't made any formal decisions on what route it wants to take. The U.S. has taken its first step toward exploring the impact of selected free trade with Canada.

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(by All Colletti, CP)

The Canadian Manufacturers Association says Canadian companies have to work harder and become more competitive to sell their goods to the world, especially to the U.S. Jim Black, Chairman of the CMA said Canada should seek more preferential trade links with the U.S., possibly a customs union, but not go outside the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.