The Task Force believes that the implementation process will be the key element in the dismantling of interprovincial trade barriers. This will require a combination of phasing and transitional policies to be developed in a co-ordinated mannner by both levels of government in consultation with business and labour. An appropriately designed implementation plan will allow more time for markets to adjust and, thereby, reduce the need for government intervention through adjustment policies. The Task Force wishes to emphasize that the phasing and transitional programs could be applied differentially among regions and industrial sectors. Transition policies should coincide with the phasing period and should be direct, transparent and market-oriented. The implementation process should be accompanied by assurance measures that will ensure the completion of barrier removal and prevent their reimposition in the future.

More specifically, the Task Force make the following major and supporting recommendations:

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1. That the federal and provincial governments continue the process of intergovernmental consultation aimed at increasing interprovincial trade;

beneficial impact of greater access to U.S. markets achieved through the removal of these barriers

- 2. That the inter-governmental task force now in place focus on the development of a process by which interprovincial barriers to trade could be reduced and removed through formal federal-provincial agreements;
- 3. That the process of barrier removal be continued regardless of the outcome of U.S.-Canada trade negotiations;