

# Statement

Minister for  
International  
Trade



# Déclaration

Ministre du  
Commerce  
extérieur

## CHECK AGAINST DELIVERY

Good afternoon,

I would like to introduce to you, first of all, my Deputy Minister for International Trade, Mr. [Name], who is accompanying me today.

When we met last year, the world that we discussed changes in the global trading environment, with particular emphasis on our policy of opening markets. As you are aware, the Prime Minister announced the policy last year and committed the Government to an economic and trade program designed to ensure that Canada will succeed in this world economy. This policy utilizes the springboard of the FTA as a means of achieving competitiveness in the global economy.

### OPENING REMARKS

BY THE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Let me say that it is a matter of the highest priority to the global trading community.

JOHN C. CROSBIE

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