

So we would like to ensure some predictability. We would like a climate as open as ours. And when I say that, I'm not saying that we are without sin, again. We have decided that for what we call national security purposes, we've excluded foreign investment in certain sectors. Well, Canada is taking the position that for cultural reasons, they want to exclude investment in certain sectors. I guess my position is, and of course I'm not giving you the inside word because that's within the negotiating context, but certainly it seems reasonable to me to allow within this negotiation an understanding on what things are important to each side to restrict or limit one's ability to invest. But we need to lay this out in black and white. We need it to be agreed upon. We need it there in place for generations to come. And I think once the business community in both countries understand the rules, understand how investment as well as trade is gonna be treated, it will allow them to make the decisions necessary to be successful in the North American continent.

Last area we're getting into, and it's a very tricky one, is the whole question of how we treat unfair trade between the two countries, as well as fair trade, but most of the debate's on unfair trade. Many people in the United States claim that Canadians subsidize left and right. Government assistance is running rampant at both the federal and the provincial level. Never mind that we're doing many of the same things, both at the federal and the state level, but it's always the other guy that's wrong. So we have a series of laws that deal with what