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Opening Doors to the World: Canada's International Market Access Priorities – 2005 outlines the Government of Canada's priorities for improving access to foreign markets for Canadian traders and investors through a range of multilateral, regional and bilateral initiatives in 2005. It also presents significant market-opening results from 2004 that will benefit Canadian business. Subjects range from Canada's broad negotiating objectives at the World Trade Organization to the details of specific bilateral trade irritants. The report is not intended to be an exhaustive catalogue of government activities to improve access to foreign markets; neither is it a comprehensive inventory of foreign barriers to trade or investment.

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