Adjustment for Canada's minerals and metals industry should not prove onerous. The industry is already heavily trade oriented and internationally competitive. Canadian competitiveness in the U.S. market is strengthened by proximity and a considerable degree of complementarity in the minerals business. Many segments of the Canadian mineral industry have made structural

changes and rationalized their operations in response to worldwide depressed prices. Others are in the midst of plant modernizations. Finally, the sizes of the U.S. and Canadian industries are typically not so different. Hence, the Canadian portion of the North American industry will not be burdened with a disproportionate share of the adjustment process.