

uniformity of the conclusions of the studies reviewed provided very strong support for the conclusion that freer trade between Canada and the United States would serve the interests of Canadians, particularly Canadians as consumers.

Differences in standards commonly intended to serve the interests of consumers can act as a nontariff barrier to trade. While there are cases where such differences can be clearly justified, there are many others in which this may not be true. Consequently, the report recommended that this issue should be subject to closer scrutiny.

POSSIBLE CANADIAN OBJECTIVES AND OPTIONS IN A COMPREHENSIVE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES

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Description:

This paper considered the manner in which safeguards might be dealt with in the context of the negotiation of a comprehensive trade agreement with the United States. "Safeguards" refers to emergency action against imports of particular products, which, while neither dumped nor subsidized, nor unfairly traded in any