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GOVERNMENT OF CANADA PROCLAIMS LEGISLATION IMPLEMENTING THE NAFTA

The Honourable Roy MacLaren, Minister for International Trade, announced today that the Government of Canada has proclaimed the legislation to implement the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and is today exchanging written notifications with Mexico and the United States to bring the NAFTA into force.

The decision to proclaim the legislation followed an assessment and determination, as required by the legislation, that Mexico and the United States had taken satisfactory steps to implement the Agreement.

The NAFTA will enter into force on January 1, 1994. The North American Agreement on Labour Co-operation and the North American Agreement on Environmental Co-operation also will come into force on the same day.

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