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- Most participants seemed to believe that Canada's participation in negotiations for a North American Free Trade Agreement was inevitable. While moderate FTA supporters were significantly more positive in their views about such negotiations, moderate opponents recognized a trend toward increasing international competitiveness and the need for Canada to participate if the U.S. and Mexico were proceeding with free trade negotiations.
 - Initial opposition on the part of moderate FTA opponents was strong, although it was significantly softened as the discussion progressed as a consequence of the pervasive view that Canada had to be at the table.

