

NAFTA AND SASKATCHEWAN

WHAT'S IN THE AGREEMENT FOR THE SASKATCHEWAN ECONOMY

- ◆ Immediate elimination of Mexican tariffs on potash and other fertilizers, chemical pulp, some paper products, most agricultural equipment and a wide variety of industrial and electrical machinery and equipment -- all export interests to Saskatchewan.
- ◆ Immediate elimination of Mexican tariffs on most telecommunications equipment and future compatibility of telecommunications standards.
- ◆ Import quotas maintained on supply managed egg, poultry and dairy sectors.
- ◆ Immediate elimination of Mexican tariffs on dried peas, some dried beans, mustard flour, millet, honey, lentils, rye and buckwheat.
- ◆ Immediate elimination of Mexico's import licences on wheat, with progressive tariff removal over 10 years.
- ◆ Immediate elimination of Mexico's import licence for barley; immediate duty-free access for specified quantities with barrier-free access on barley after 10 years.
- ◆ Improved access for pork, with barrier-free access after 10 years.
- ◆ Strong commitment to sustainable development, environmental protection and conservation. Recognition that NAFTA countries should not lower environmental standards to attract investment.
- ◆ Improved access to the developing Mexican market for professional services. Provincially regulated professions encouraged but not forced to recognize credentials from other NAFTA countries.
- ◆ Rules to ease the temporary entry of business people and duty exemption for their accompanying tools and equipment.
- ◆ Better access to government procurement contracts for suppliers of goods, services and construction. Procurement at the provincial and municipal levels is unaffected by the NAFTA.
- ◆ Dispute settlement procedures have been strengthened and improved, including institutional provisions to limit the possibility of unilateral actions.