

- the original supplier must supply replacement parts or continuing services for existing supplies;
- an entity procures a prototype or first good or service that is developed at its request for a particular contract for research, experiment, study, or development;
- goods are purchased on a commodity market;
- purchases are made under exceptionally advantageous conditions that only arise in the very short term, such as disposals by businesses in liquidation or receivership;
- a contract is to be awarded to the winner of an architectural design contest that is organized in a manner consistent with the principles of NAFTA, and judged by an independent jury; and
- an agency needs consulting services regarding confidential matters that could not be disclosed without causing public disruption.

As this guide goes to press, the U.S. government is considering simplified acquisition procedures that could affect Canadian access to U.S. federal government contracts. For the most current information about these changes please call Judith Bradt at the Canadian Embassy at (202) 682-7746.