

Minister for International Trade



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Canada

FREE TRADE: A GOOD DEAL FOR CANADA

I believe that all Canadians will draw great benefits from the Free Trade Agreement we reached with the United States on October 3, 1987. Among the major benefits are:

- a greater selection of goods and services at lower prices for consumers;
- hundreds of thousands of new jobs and increased economic activity as a result of more Canadian exports;
- increased investment by Canadians and non-Canadians;
- a more specialized, technologically advanced and internationally competitive economy; and
- a more outward-looking society.

The more Canadians study and think about this historic Agreement, the more likely they will support it. That is why we have prepared this publication, which provides substantial detail and background information on the Agreement.

This trade agreement is a statement to the world that we are building a new Canada, a Canada ready to face the challenges of an intensely competitive world economy. It is a statement that Canadians are guided by confidence, not fear, that we have the strong will to act, not just react and have the courage to meet the competition, not hide from it.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pat Carney".

Honourable Pat Carney
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