- The world's biggest trading countries are not low-wage countries. They are high-wage countries like Japan, Germany, the U.S. and Canada.
- A NAFTA will increase economic activity. As Mexico's economy grows, wage rates will rise.
 A more prosperous Mexico will be a better market for Canadian goods and services.

Isn't Mexico a pollution haven?

- The environment has become a national priority for Mexico. The government has increased eight-fold its spending on the environment in the last decade.
- All new investments must meet stringent environmental laws.
- Canada has recently expanded its environmental co-operation with Mexico.
 Canada's assistance places a strong emphasis on effective enforcement of environmental standards.
- A stronger Mexican economy will provide the financial resources for environmental improvements.

When will a deal be concluded?

- No deadline has been set.
- Negotiators will take whatever time they need to reach a good agreement.
- Under any agreement, barriers will be lowered gradually. Canadians will have time to develop strategies for the new North American market.

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