

CANADA AND HONG KONG ARE A STUDY IN CONTRASTS. ONE MIGHT SAY THE ODD COUPLE OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE. ONE A COUNTRY ON A MASSIVE SCALE WITH MANY NATURAL RESOURCES AND A SMALL POPULATION; THE OTHER, A TINY ISLAND WITH FEW RESOURCES BUT ITS GEOGRAPHICAL POSITION -- AND ITS PEOPLE.

YET IT IS A PARTNERSHIP WHICH HAS PRODUCED BENEFITS FOR BOTH PARTIES IN THE PAST. AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO IN THE FUTURE.