And when you do, I want you to know that your government will be here for you. Like any other good business partner, we will be listening to what you, our clients, want from us, providing information and services that are more timely, more accessible, more responsive, and always with an eye to the future.

And from where I stand right now, looking out at all the hardworking, creative, intelligent and ambitious talent seated before me, that future sure looks great.

I will be proud, and indeed I look forward to the day when each and every one of the participants in this historic mission takes on the role of representing Canada as an exporter of the best our country has to offer.

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Thank you, and good luck.