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A PERIOD OF ONGOING ECONOMIC INTEGRATION both in the Americas and globally, trade and investment have a growing impact on the lives of all Canadians. As the markets for Canada's production of goods and services are increasingly found beyond our borders, and as Canadians continue to depend on goods and services produced abroad, whether for consumption or as inputs to raise domestic production, economic developments abroad are becoming more important.

Accordingly, Canadians are becoming more interested in issues in the international economic domain. This positive development has brought an increased demand for comprehensive information and analysis on Canada's trade and investment performance in a global context. This document is intended to help fill this demand. It reviews and analyses the major developments in Canada's international trade and investment in 2000 against the background of economic trends and performance at home and abroad.

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