

Joint Statement by ATA, CANACAR, and CTA on NAFTA

The trucking industries in Canada, Mexico, and the United States have all benefited significantly from NAFTA and we, the national trucking associations from all three countries, urge negotiators to update the trade agreement in a manner that continues to benefit trade. Motor carriers haul the vast majority of the value of trade across our borders, which has benefited the North American supply chain for everything from autos to agriculture to pharmaceuticals. Trucking fleets from all three countries provide efficient and safe transportation for their customers and permit North America to be an economic power around the world.

NAFTA truck-transported trade supports tens of thousands of trucking industry jobs across the continent and generates billions in revenue annually. Trucking jobs created from North American trade are good-paying jobs, from our professional commercial drivers, to dispatchers, sales personnel, managers, and many others. In fact, our industry demonstrates how trade creates good, solid long-term jobs across the continent. The ripple effects are significant, too. In order to haul all the trade across our borders, our industries have to buy a significant amount of goods and services, from equipment to fuel to tires to insurance. This, in turn, supports many jobs.

Not only do we haul this cross-border freight efficiently, we do it safely – regardless of the carrier’s country of origin.

We strongly encourage our governments to update NAFTA to keep North America competitive internationally. In this endeavor, making border crossings and rules governing international commercial transportation more efficient is a crucial element that will only help our industries make North America stronger. We look forward to working with our governments to achieve a better NAFTA.

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