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Consultations and submissions on the renegotiation of NAFTA

The Government of Canada has announced public consultations on the renegotiation and modernization of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

The government is seeking input from Canadians on:

- key areas in NAFTA that could be clarified or updated;
- new areas that should form part of a modernized agreement;
- information on areas of the current NAFTA agreement that have been the most beneficial to Canadian exporters.

Views should also take into account reactions to potential proposals from the U.S. or Mexico where Canada could be pressed to take on commitments to address perceived trade irritants.

CPMA has been actively engaged on NAFTA renegotiations, and we will make a submission to the federal government on behalf of members. We encourage you to submit your comments to CPMA so they can be incorporated into our overall submission.

Please send your comments to:

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To support members, CPMA has developed a web page that is a simple portal to background information, links to the consultations and the opportunity to provide CPMA input on your concerns or thoughts regarding NAFTA. CPMA will be updating this page regularly with stats and other relevant information. Visit our NAFTA web page for more information.

You are also encouraged to submit comments to the federal government directly. More information on the government's request for submissions, and how to submit, is available in a Canada Gazette notice here:

http://gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2017/2017-06-03/html/notice-avis-eng.php#na8

Additional information on the NAFTA consultations is available here: www.international.gc.ca/nafta

Written submissions to the federal government are due by July 18th, 2017.

