



RESPONSE TO PETITION

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REPLY

The Government of Canada would like to thank the petitioners for their submission on the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement.

On September 9, 2016 the Office of the Chief Economist at Global Affairs Canada published its independent impact assessment of the TPP on Canada. This study contributes to an existing body of research and literature and will help inform the ongoing dialogue with Canadians as we assess Canada's potential participation in the TPP.

The Government of Canada is fulfilling its commitment to being open and transparent with Canadians on the outcomes of the TPP. The Government has heard from Canadians across the country, including from all provinces and territories, industry, civil society, academics, Indigenous groups, unions, students and the general public.

The Government of Canada has heard from Canadians who have concerns on specific aspects of the agreement, from Canadians who support Canada's participation in the TPP and from those who have further questions as they deliberate on the merits of the agreement.

These different perspectives speak to the importance of the Government’s commitment to continued open and transparent dialogue with Canadians on Canada’s potential participation in the TPP.