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Conference Agenda**SUNDAY MAY 3, 1998**

6 p.m.

Conference Registration

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Reception-Cash Bar

8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Executive Board of Directors Meeting (Members Only)

MONDAY MAY 4, 1998

7:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Conference Registration Formal Breakfast with Accord U.S. and Canadian Working Group

technical experts conducting in-depth roundtable dialogues with participants to answer questions and listen to current concerns.

8:45 - 9:00 a.m.

Bob Perkins, Executive Board Member

CAN/AM BORDER TRADE ALLIANCE

Welcome and Introductory Remarks

Jim Phillips, Executive Director

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Introduction of Executive Board

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ISSUES

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Honourable Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of External Affairs*

"Canada/U.S. Relations - Strategic Direction and Current Overview including Section 110 Immigration Legislation and Helms/Burton"

9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Questions from and dialogue with attendees

NATIONAL REVENUE ISSUES

10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Honourable Herbance Dhaliwal, Minister of National Revenue

"Resource Availability and Strategic Direction of Border Protection and Low Risk Traveller and Trade Facilitation"

10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Questions from and dialogue with attendees

TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Honourable David Collenette, Minister of Transport

"Strategic Direction for Transport Policy - Highway, Rail, Maritime and Infrastructure, strategic implications of U.S. ISTE/NEXTEA and Importance of Trade Corridors and Border Crossing Gateways"

11:45 a.m. - Noon

Questions from and dialogue with attendees

12:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Luncheon/Speaker

Gordon Giffin, United States Ambassador to Canada

"The American Perspective"

CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION ISSUES

2:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Kris Stolarik, Director Reg. Affairs

Oryst Dydynsky, General Manager

Release Policies, Procedures and Customs Relations

Canadian Food Inspection Agency

"Update Overview - Specifics on Client Services, Service Centres,
Cross Designation to Revenue Canada Customs, Computerization etc."

2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Questions from and dialogue with attendees

3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Break

SINGLE WINDOW INTERFACE

3:15 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Greg Goathe, Director Project Mgt. Division, Revenue Canada

Andrea Prosper, Manager

"ACROSS/OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPTS Single Window Initiative"

4:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Questions from and dialogue with attendees

4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Gary Douglas, President/CEO Plattsburgh - North Country Chamber "Canadian
Connection - The Economic Impact of Canada on Clinton County, New York"

An excellent model for analysis of all regions of the border.

4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Jim Phillips, Executive Director CAN/AM BTA "Can/Am Border Trade Alliance
Presents NEED and SUPPORT to develop formalized Joint Canada/U.S. Bi-
National Planning and Development process for Border Crossing Area
Transportation, Infrastructure, Trade Corridor/Routes and Gateways, Update on
Section 110 Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act and
Increasing Staff and Resources of U.S. Customs and INS on the U.S./Canada
Border"

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Reception - Cash Bar

TUESDAY MAY 5, 1998

7:30 A.M. - 8:50 A.M.

Formal Breakfast with Accord U.S. and Canadian Working Group technical
experts conducting in-depth roundtable dialogues with participants to answer
questions and listen to current concerns.

TRADE ISSUES

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Honourable Sergio Marchi, Minister for International Trade*

"Policies and Initiatives to Increase Canadian/U.S. Trade"

9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Questions from and dialogue with attendees

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Break

SHARED BORDER ACCORD ACTION PLAN STATUS

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

This session will involve dialogue on overview of initiatives, progress,
accomplishments and Accord Issues.

Allan Cocksedge, Assistant Deputy minister Revenue Canada Customs and
Trade Administration Branch (Presenting on behalf of the U.S./ Canada Accord
Coordinating Comm.) Audience Questions and Dialogue on Staffing,
Technology, Procedures, Policies, Accord Plan elements and suggestions etc.
is encouraged.

11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Bridge and Tunnel Operators and Border Trade Corridor Panel

Allen Gandell, Niagara Falls Bridge Comm., Mickey Blashfield, Ambassador
Bridge,

Dan Elash, Blue Water Bridge, Ron Lampman, Peace Bridge, Don Vuchetich,
Detroit Canada Tunnel, Bruce Agnew, Cascadia Pacific, Bob Frazier, Rocky
Mountain West,

Jerry Nagel, Mid Continent, Jack Ampuja, New York/Ontario/Quebec Trade
Corridors.

"Interim increased needs to maintain thruput (for new casino openings,

increased crossing and trade activity and new additional border crossing capacity brought on line, Overview of Trade Corridor initiatives"

12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Luncheon

"Summary and Closing Remarks"

Jim Horsman, Executive Board Member

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*Invited Speakers

Late Checkout of 2:30p.m. has been arranged.