

**Free Trade Area of the Americas
Negotiating Group on Government Procurement**

**Canada's Initial Market Access Offer
February 2003**

General Conditions Applying to Canada's Market Access Offer:

This offer is subject to the following conditions:

1. Non-discrimination obligations satisfactory to Canada.
2. A rules-based text satisfactory to Canada.
3. This document is also premised on the inclusion of any general exception to the agreement that Canada may deem necessary, and any Chapter specific exceptions, including an exception for programs in support of aboriginal peoples.
4. Canada reserves the right to implement its procurement obligations through regulations.
5. Satisfactory government procurement offers from NAGPA countries representing, in Canada's estimation, an appropriate balance of concessions relative to this offer.
6. Satisfactory provision to adjust thresholds bi-annually to account for exchange rate fluctuations and inflation.

Canada reserves the right to amend this document at any time during the course of the negotiations.