

From: s.22

Sent: Wednesday, November 9, 2016 2:15 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Cc:s.22

Subject: To: The Honourable Christy Clark Re: Trump Presidency From: A Canadian Citizen

To: The Honourable Christy Clark,

Hello -

Good grief! The US election results are beyond disturbing. They elected someone who is highly unethical, a con, a liar, a cheat, a thug & someone who was possibly about to go to court with rape. He doesn't care about anyone but himself. Trump is not qualified to hold the power of the Presidency. Also, he doesn't have any moral sense. He's not decent.

What we can do as Canadian citizens? How can we protect Canada?

I don't think Trump should be allowed to enter Canada. I don't think Canada should attend official functions in the US. I think the world should protest him as President, as some wanted to for just his party nomination.

I think something has to be done by Canadians. Any suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely & regretfully,

s.22

The Honourable Christy
Clark

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From: McTeer, Catherine J PREM:EX On Behalf Of OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2016 2:54 PM

To: ^{s.22}

Subject: RE: The Honourable Christy Clark Re: Trump Presidency From: A Canadian Citizen

Thank you, ^{s.22} for your email. We appreciate your taking the time to write to us regarding President-elect Trump.

We invite you to visit the following link: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2016PREM0136-002324> -- for Premier Clark's statement on the recent election in the United States.

Thank you, again, for writing. We do appreciate hearing from you.

From: Clark.MLA, Christy [mailto:Christy.Clark.MLA@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Thursday, December 15, 2016 11:28 AM
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Subject: FW: Denounce Trump

From: s.22
Sent: December 13, 2016 5:09 PM
To: Clark.MLA, Christy
Subject: Denounce Trump

Premier Christy Clark,

In your message to the people of the British Columbia on November 9, following the election of Donald Trump, you offered your congratulations and said that the province will work diligently and with determination to grow our relationship with the United States. To say you will work with President Trump for the betterment of the province, you have agreed for us to work with a man who has mocked the disabled, has zero respect or regard for Indigenous people, has threatened LGBTQ and women's rights, and has the support of the "alt-right" -- another name for white supremacist, neo-nazi or racist groups. You have agreed to work with him? I would have preferred to see you denounce working with him unless he considered the important rights of all individuals.

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References

<https://www.biv.com/article/2016/11/bc-premier-christy-clark-congratulates-trump-victo/>

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From: s.22

Sent: Tuesday, December 8, 2015 7:51 PM

To: Prime Minister/Premier Ministre

Cc: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: Fw: elections

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The man in Vancouver wants to take the Trump name off of buildings because of something Donald Trump said. I think Canadians should not stick their nose into what the American politicians are doing or saying during their Campaigning, They didn't stick their nose when our Canadian elections were going on. I am sure they could have lots to say.

Let's do the Canadian thing and be polite.

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From: s.22

Sent: Monday, March 14, 2016 4:36 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: Donald Trump inquiry

March 14, 2016

TO:

Christy Clark

Premier of British Columbia

Dear Premier Clark,

I am sure you have heard of the website "Cape Breton If Donald Trump Wins"? I was born in s.22, and I would like to see if you know anything about it. I believe that many Americans who would leave their country if Donald Trump, as the likely Republican Party nominee in the 2016 election, wins over the Democratic Party nominee (most likely to be Hillary Clinton), it would bring extra publicity to British Columbia.

I believe a Donald Trump presidency would not be good, either for America or for Canada.

I would be interested in seeing your response to this issue. Thank you for taking the time.

Sincerely,

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From: s.22

Sent: Sunday, October 16, 2016 8:02 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: Comments on USA election

Dear Premier Clark,

I am a s.22 living in s.22

I was born in s.22 and married my s.22

We both are thriving and have supported you and your Party for many years

We have never sent a message like this before.

Your comments on Donald Trump are not acceptable.

You should not be voicing opinions about the (USA) election.

I have worked s.22

If you want my support in the future, please show less personal feelings.

Remember you are representing us not you.

Thanks s.22

From: s.22

Sent: Friday, October 14, 2016 12:21 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: Donald Trump

I was surprised to see an article in the Vancouver Sun with our premier condemning Donald Trump's comments 11 years ago. Seriously?

The US election is really none of our business even though many of us have strong opinions. I do not think it is appropriate to comment

on the tapes as we all know it is a political ploy to take him down. The husband of Bill Clinton has a past of rape accusation and also paying settlements to some women that have accused him. Would you be willing to make a statement that his behavior is worth condemning as well?

Just thinking that with the strong feelings on both sides of the border silence would be the best choice. I am not saying we should not condemn speech and actions that promote sexual assault but I am sure there is lots of it at home to condemn rather than weighing on the US election, which looks like what this is.

Thanks for listening to my opinion. I do support you as premier but really felt your comments should have never been said.

Best regards,
s.22

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From: Clark.MLA, Christy [mailto:Christy.Clark.MLA@leg.bc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, November 9, 2016 12:07 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: FW:

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From: ^{s.22}

Sent: November 8, 2016 6:49 PM

To: Clark.MLA, Christy

Subject:

Wow scary USA results so far

What a terrible message to our daughters and mothers.

I told ^{s.22} how lucky we are to have you as a leader today who overcame this ceiling.

Can't take anything for granted in BC

The "change " message seems to really resonate with youth

Standing by to help where I can.

From: s.22
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2016 8:18 AM
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Subject: Fwd: News coverage RE: American election.

Begin forwarded message:

From: s.22
Date: November 10, 2016 8:04:17 AM PST (CA)
To: ViewerContactBC@globalnews.ca
Subject: News coverage RE: American election.

To Whom It may Concern:

For the past many months, we have watched with interest Global News coverage of the American election, waiting to see if it would be impartial coverage of all candidates or like the choice affiliates of Global - one sided and biased. Sadly, Global did what we had come to expect and proved that they too were left of center. The main focus was on Trump, the candidate that many did not take seriously, neglecting to mention why he had in fact become the Republican nominee.

Obama has had eight years of pushing through his leftist agenda, without the endorsement of Congress, which violates the American constitution as Congress is the branch of government that has the duty and right to approve budget matters. In 2010, he pushed through Obamacare, with the help of Harry Reid, his cohort in the Senate to change the rules to allow a vote of 51 to pass legislation. Thus, millions of Americans have had to pay increased monthly premiums, to say nothing of massive deductibles, to cover this failed health plan.

Obama boasted, after losing control of both the senate and house in the 2014 election, that all he needed was a pen and a phone to get his legislation completed. Thus, Americans got immigration legislation that most did not approve of, the controversial Iran deal, the free wheeling EPA passing hundreds of laws that affected thousands of farmers, small business peoples. These are just a few of the reasons why people were fed up and angry with Washington politics. The fact that the national debt of the U.S. has surpassed 20 trillion dollars, and under Obama's watch, he has increased the debt more than all the administrations before him,

Hilary Clinton, part of the Clinton dynasty, is the ultimate corrupt politician. She broke the law by having a private government server in her basement. Claiming to be broke when Bill left the White House, they are multi millionaires now based on the Clinton foundation and the pay to play speaking engagements that they both have participated in. Not to say that it is documented and televised how she on many occasions lied to the American people about her various email situations.

The dump of emails from Wikileaks have confirmed the corruption within the Democratic party in regard to railroading the nomination towards Hilary over Bernie Sanders with questions for debates being given to Hilary by CNN staff. Also, the head of the DNC, Debbie Wasserman Shultz was forced to resign after her disgusting remarks about Bernie Sanders and minority groups.

Where has the outrage and ridicule directed at Hilary, very silent to say the least.

The American elite doesn't have to blame anyone but Washington for the distrust of big government and for the election result. The tipping point for the Nov. 8 election was the increased premiums faced by the electorate beginning in 2017 for Obamacare.

Donald Trump did not have to run, he has a successful business, great family and many other projects. He saw a vacuum and a country that he loved going down the tube. Unlike most on the left, many Americans feel that he is their last bastion of Hope to right the periling direction that America is headed. They looked at Europe and didn't like what they saw, massive unemployment, huge government over reach, nanny states, etc. The British sounded the alarm with their vote to leave the EU.

Canada should be on guard, Trudeau views the bottom line as a bottomless pit with future generations being on the tab for the massive debt that is being created.

Vassy Kapelos, in her reporting, condones the intolerance and destructive behaviors demonstrated by the spoilt left wing entitled group that unfortunately is beginning to permeate our landscape. Now, the left believes in democracy but only if it condones and supports their opinions. They have become the most intolerant group in America. That is why Trump won, people don't believe that they have the freedom to speak their minds anymore unless they fall in line with the rhetoric being expounded by the left. And most unfortunately, the media has bought into, supports and repeats the same dialogue. She mentioned that Hilary won the popular vote making it right for the left to protest. Has she looked at the electoral map. red dominates

everywhere except on the coasts where the entertainment types dominate. The popular vote was not overwhelming for Hilary, but the electoral votes went for Trump, representing the vast mass of American landscape.

Destructive demonstrations reinforces that freedom comes with a price and what we see on the streets of America makes it very sad day for Democracy. As we get ready to Remember, I am saddened for those that fought so valiantly for our freedom to see it being eroded by intolerance and entitlement.

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Dear Premier Clark,

I was extremely disappointed to see and hear your comments regarding the treatment of B.C. during the tenure of the Harper government. I wasn't aware that B.C. had been treated so poorly. Fortunately for todays Liberals in Ottawa, Mr. Harper was an economist who treated the government's bottom line as his own household, unlike today's Prime Minister who treats it like a bottomless pit. Woe is the future Canadians who have to bare the burden of this unbalanced budget!

I also would like to remind you that many Conservatives helped elect your government and the fact that had there been a viable Conservative party in B.C. the NDP would be the present government. Also, Donald Trump is the president elect, a very successful businessman who doesn't need the disdain or intolerant attitude of Canadian politicians. Words can come back to bite you.

From: s.22

Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2016 9:23 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: An apology from the US

Dear Premier Clark,

I'd like to offer a sincere heartfelt apology for the recent election of Donald Trump in the United States. I live just across the border, in s.22 state, which I'm at least proud to say rejected Donald Trump by a wide margin in our state's vote (as did s.22). I was proud to vote for our nation's first female nominee of a major party, and devastated by her loss. I'm ashamed and horrified at his election and I'm so scared for what that will mean not only for my country, but for BC, for all of Canada, and frankly, for the whole world. I don't know what this means for BC. I can only imagine there will be negative economic implications, and I shudder to think of what a Trump presidency will mean for both of our nations.

I'm not really sure what I'm trying to say here, but I feel the need to say sorry and let other people know there are good folks in the US, and we'll do what we can to protect our civil rights and fight for saner government in our country.

I'm not one of the many Americans responsible for crashing your nation's immigration website yesterday. Although your country looks like a refuge right now - and I speak as s.22 who faces the loss of many of my hard-won civil rights over the next four years - I'm determined to do what I can here to make my country better for all our sakes. In the meantime, it's comforting to know that we have neighbors to our north with good, decent values who reject xenophobia, sexism, and bigotry in all its forms. I also sincerely hope you can work closely with my state's governor, s.22 and my state's two senators, s.22 s.22 to ease any economic impacts and continue cooperation within our common region.

When you think of the US, I hope you keep people like me in mind. We're here, we consider us your friends, and while we're discouraged and shaken, we're ready to stand up for what's right and make the world a better place for all of us.

Best wishes,

s.22

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22

Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 8:29 AM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: I urge you to express concern about the recent developments in the USA

To Christy Clark:

I am writing to you today to express my deepest disappointment with your reaction to the outcome of the US election. In your statement issued on Nov 9, 2016, you congratulated Donald Trump on his win and offered cooperation and growth of the relationship.

It should, by now, be abundantly clear that the incoming Donald Trump administration is a threat to US democracy, and by extension to other countries, including Canada.

Starting on day one after the election, the US has seen a surge in hate crimes committed by Trump supporters and those emboldened by him. Large parts of the population are legitimately afraid. On days two and three, Trump and his surrogates issued

- Threats to the free press;
- Threats to political opponents;
- Threats to the right to assemble and protest.

He has since then hired a known white supremacist as his chief strategist in the White House.

This is NOT someone any political leader from another country should cooperate with. This is a real threat. I say this as a s.22 immigrant to Canada who has spent her entire life learning how to spot authoritarian threats and learning how to stop them. One way to stop them is to NOT NORMALIZE them. Do not treat him like a normal politician. Do not cooperate with him.

As a British Columbian now, I urge you to amend your statement from Nov 9th and to publicly express your concern with the developments in the USA.

I also urge you to express your support for those who will suffer great harm under his administration. And most importantly, I urge you to condemn his appointment of a white supremacist into a powerful political role in the White House.

This is a test for all of us. DO NOT STAND IDLY BY.

Sincerely,

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From: s.22

Sent: Monday, November 14, 2016 9:41 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Cc: BC Liberal Party; BC NDP Leader; Me

Subject: apology owed to President-elect Trump

Hello Premier Clark,

It seems that you have a lot of apologizing to do towards US President-elect Trump, now that he is going to be the next President of the USA for which he is the best person for the job based on the people who were running for the US President job.

I believe that you supported Vancouver Mayor Robertson demand that the new Trump Hotel in Vancouver be renamed and that Mr. Trump is not welcome in Vancouver.

Maybe Mr. Trump should do everything in his power to ensure that you and Mayor Robertson are not welcome into the USA.

The majority of the voters elected Mr. Trump because they are fed up with professional politicians screwing up their country.

Hopefully, one day we will elect someone like Mr. Trump to lead this Province and Country because the current politicians are doing a lousy job here too.

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From: s.22

Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 11:16 AM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: please address our fears

Dear Ms. Clark,

I spoke to your office today and they asked me to put my concerns in an email.

I am an instructor s.22

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The recent election of Donald Trump, who comes into office with serious allegations of sexual assault and known, public associations with white supremacy alarms is concerning to me. The impact on my students is clear. Many have expressed a wide range of fears including being personally targeted for racial violence, distress related to previous experiences of sexual assault or abuse, and nuclear war. The fears they are expressing are not hysterical, or loud, but they are obviously deeply felt, sometimes privately confided in me.

Between the election of Donald Trump, and his installation of a known white supremacist as his counsellor in the United States, and the success of Brexit and especially the current struggle over Article 50 in the UK, I am, as a Canadian, deeply alarmed about the fragility of our basic democratic institutions, something I have always felt comfortable taking for granted.

I ask you to state publicly and unequivocally that racism and violence against women are intolerable and violate core Canadian values. That we will continue to strive towards racial equality. That we condemn mocking of persons with disabilities. That we care about all families, even ones that are headed by single parents. That we value recent immigrants, and that we intend to protect refugees that we've welcomed. That our judges will remain protected and independent, and that our shared belief in the rule of law and in democracy continues.

Whether it is framed explicitly as a response to the election is not important to me. It is simply important that we affirm it publicly, and that we affirm it with clear language, not guarded terms.

Please understand that my concerns related to this are independent of my regular political beliefs. I am simply asking for affirmation of our basic Canadian rights and core beliefs. Both my

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I am not about to take my eyes off of what is happening right now. I will be following the next few weeks with extreme concern and

interest.

Sincerely,
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Just a note to confirm we have received your email and its contents are being discussed. You can anticipate a further response at the earliest opportunity.

We do appreciate hearing from you.

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From:

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November 13th, 2016

The Honourable Christy Clark
Premier of British Columbia
Box 9041
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Victoria, British Columbia
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Right Honorable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
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Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Clarke:

I write to respectfully advise that when you both congratulated President Elect Donald Trump on his successful bid to become one of the key leaders in the world you did not speak for me.

Each Remembrance Day I remind myself that s.22
were injured or died so that I and others could be free and equal s.22
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I therefore cannot extend any kind of congratulations to a soon-to-be global political leader who has extolled the virtues of groping a woman's genitals, and ask every British Columbian and Canadian man (and yourselves) to consider how long a female political leader would be found acceptable if she extolled the virtues of groping men by their genitals and pulling on their penis's against their will?

Further, as a small child I was told s.22
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Knowing that 50 million people eventually died during the struggle to end what started out as a simple acquiescence to a country's leader who believed in categorizing people by reason of their religion or race or country of origin, but who ended up systematically exterminating millions, I cannot accept as legitimate any leader who uses race, religion and country of origin as the basis for how we will treat each other and behave towards each other.

This is the twenty-first century, and through the United Nations Charter and other UN Agreements we are agreed that we are all equal now. Too many people have fought and died for those principles for me to turn a blind eye and look the other way. So I will simply ask: who will join with me in standing alongside women, persons of colour, disability, those of different race, religion, sexual orientation, etc to ensure that we do not go back down that path again?

All of which is respectfully submitted.
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From: s.22

Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2016 8:27 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: On Worker Dislocation In An Economy

Dear Premier,

In reading some articles posted to Twitter I came across this one by the Macdonald-Laurier Institute which I found interesting and topical. It is topical in part because of the election of Donald Trump as US President and his stated ideas about trade and NAFTA in particular. It is also of interest because I follow Mr Andrew Weaver of the Green Party on Facebook and know he has been soliciting ideas and opinions about a guaranteed annual income. I submitted some general ideas on this topic to him.

I'm hoping that your Party is ready should this topic appear in the next election s.22
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The article I refer to is this one by Sean Speer and follows:

Creative destruction, the rise of Donald Trump, and what it means for Canada: Sean Speer for Inside Policy | Macdonald-Laurier Institute

Creative destruction, the rise of Donald Trump, and what it means for Canada...
The economic dislocation thrust upon so many Americans is due less to the fiery rhetoric surrounding free trade ...

Kind regards,
s.22

From: Clark.MLA, Christy [mailto:Christy.Clark.MLA@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Monday, December 5, 2016 12:13 PM
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Subject: FW: U.S. election response

From: s.22
Sent: December 2, 2016 9:29 AM
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From: Michele Giordano [mailto:Michele.Giordano@ufv.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, December 6, 2016 4:21 PM
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Subject: Violence Against Women In Relationships Fraser Valley Committee

Good afternoon,

My name is Michele Giordano, and I chair the VAWIR (Violence Against Women In Relationships) Committee for the Fraser Valley region of BC. Members of the Fraser Valley VAWIR committee would like Premier Christy Clark to know how impressed we were with her reaction to the comments made by Donald Trump during the past election campaign. Please find attached a letter to Premier Clark from the members of the Fraser Valley VAWIR Committee.

Sincerely,

Michele Giordano - VAWIR Chair
Career Development Coordinator
School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
University of the Fraser Valley
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Abbotsford/Mission Violence Against Women in Relationships (VAWIR) Committee
C/O Chairperson Michele Giordano
University of the Fraser Valley
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December 6, 2016

Hon. Christy Clark
Premier,
Government of British Columbia
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Victoria, BC
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Dear Premier Clark,

As members of the Abbotsford/Mission Violence Against Women in Relationships (VAWIR) Committee, we wish to applaud you for your comments that appeared in the Vancouver Sun article on October 14, 2016, entitled "Premier Clark calls for widespread condemnation of Trump's views of women".

Our committee is represented by a variety of government ministries and social service agencies supporting families affected by violence against women and children in the Abbotsford/Mission area. We strive to integrate our services in as collaborative a manner as possible to provide safety and support to victims of violence and abuse and to work well together with regard to offender management and enforcement.

Our committee also plays a public awareness role in our community, taking steps to keep intimate partner violence and its effects on women, children, and society in the public discourse. We thank you for highlighting that as citizens of British Columbia and the world, we must never allow it to be okay to degrade, objectify, or abuse women. We appreciate that the decision to comment publically on this matter during the final days of the presidential race may have been a difficult choice, and we commend you for making the choice to “#saysomething”. We pledge to continue to do so likewise in our respective roles because if we allow ourselves to be bystanders, we only contribute to the problem.

With appreciation,
Abbotsford/Mission VAWIR Committee:

Mission RCMP	Mission Public Health Unit
Mission Police Based Victim Service Program	Abbotsford Forensic Nursing
Team	
Abbotsford Police Based Victim Service Program	Domestic Violence Crown
Counsel(s)	
Abbotsford Police Department – Domestic Violence Unit	Elizabeth Fry Society
Ministry of Children and Family Development (DVU)	Ministry of Social
Development	
Abbotsford/Mission Specialized Victim Assistance Programs	Mennonite Central
Committee	
Donna Maser – Family Lawyer	Correctional Service of
Canada	
Fraser Valley Aboriginal Child and Family Services Society	Abbotsford Community
Corrections	
Women’s Resource Society of the Fraser Valley	University of the Fraser
Valley	

Thank you for your message, Michele. We will ensure the Premier is aware of your kind comments.

May we take this opportunity to wish you and the committee members all the very best over the Holiday Season.

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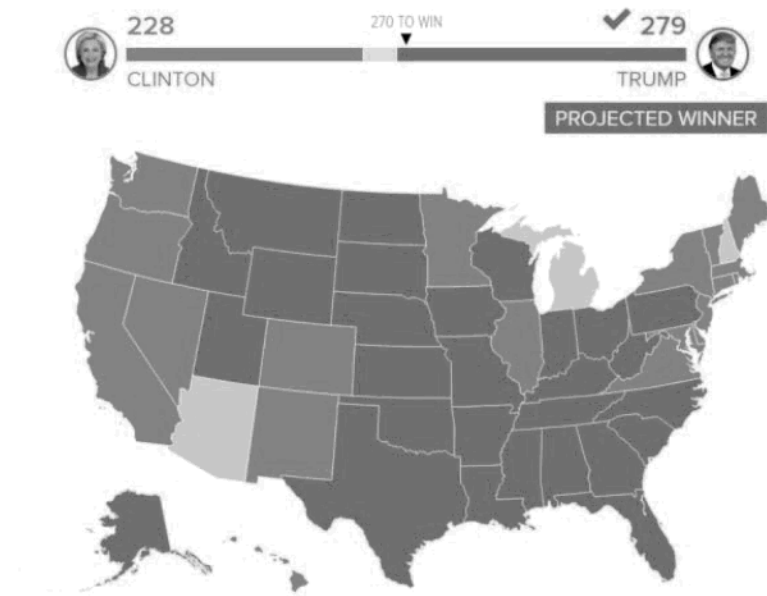
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United States Elections

Intergovernmental Relations Secretariat will continue to analyze the US situation and will provide update reports as the situation evolves.

Presidential Race

Donald Trump is the President-elect of the United States. Victories in key battleground states such as Florida, Ohio, North Carolina and Iowa and a breakthrough in the “rust belt” states of Wisconsin and Michigan propelled him to victory. Inauguration day is January 20th, 2017. He is meeting with President Obama on Thursday to discuss the transfer of power.



US Presidential Electoral Map as of November 9th, 8:30 AM Pacific

What it means for Canada and B.C.

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On trade, President-elect Trump brings a stark protectionist view to the White House. He intends to pull the U.S. out of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), calling it “the single worst trade deal ever approved in this country”. Most experts believe he can do this unilaterally, by giving 6-months notice to Canada and Mexico.

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President-elect Trump could also use his executive authority to pull out of

the Trans Pacific Partnership, restart the Keystone pipeline, deregulate energy prices and bring trade cases against other countries.

On his other economic priorities, President-elect Trump will need cooperation from Congress and/or the Supreme Court, for example repealing Obamacare, cutting taxes, or building a wall on the Mexican border.

On climate change, Mr. Trump's victory will likely lead to the United States pulling back on several key domestic and international commitments. The President can unilaterally remove the US from the Paris Agreement, cancel the Clean Power Plan and cut funding for UN climate programs.

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A First Ministers' Meeting on Climate

Change is currently set for early December.

President-elect Trump's Positions on Key Issues for B.C.: Summary	
Climate and Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supports Keystone XL s.13,s.16 U.S. issue where President-elect Trump and PM Trudeau will agree.• Strongly opposes the Paris Agreement and would pull the US out.• Would cancel President Obama's Climate Action Plan.• Has called climate change a hoax.
Economy & Trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supports significant tax cuts in all brackets and anti-trade measures that are expected, s.13• Opposes the Trans Pacific Partnership.• Would remove the US from NAFTA, calling it "the single worst trade deal ever approved in this country".• Intends to impose heavy tariffs on all goods produced overseas.
Border and Immigration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Has called for a mass deportation of undocumented immigrants, will not offer amnesty to those that entered illegally, and plans to build a "great" wall along the entire US-Mexico border.• "Suspend the issuance of visas to any place where adequate screening cannot occur".• s.13
International Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Very sharp break with the traditional U.S. role.• Willing to withdraw the U.S. from key alliances if allies do not increase defence spending.• Against the Iran nuclear deal and supports a new relationship with Russia.

Prime Minister Trudeau issued a congratulatory message and said, via Twitter, "Our shared values are strong. Our common purpose is to build countries where everyone has a fair chance to succeed...The Canadian Government will continue its hard work toward these ends...and we offer our hand in partnership with our neighbours as friends and allies as they move forward." The Prime Minister is expected to speak with the President-elect on Wednesday.

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(November 14, 2016 Report)**

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President-elect Trump: Key Campaign Commitments with Implications for B.C.

Issue	Details/Implications for B.C.
<u>Trade</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Re-negotiate or exit NAFTA—according to the reports this will begin within 100 days.• Withdraw from Trans Pacific Partnership.• Heavy tariffs on imported goods.	s.13,s.16

Energy & Mining

- Supports Keystone XL.
- Strongly supports increased oil, gas and coal production in the US with reduced regulation (see below).

Issue	Details/Implications for B.C.
<u>Climate Change</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Withdraw from Paris Agreement.• Would attempt to undo Obama's climate regulations• Has called climate change a hoax.	s.13,s.16

Electricity Markets

<u>Columbia River Treaty</u>

Environment

- B.C. has MOUs with U.S. states regarding cross-border waterways focussed on mining and water quality. s.13,s.16
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Issue	Details/Implications for B.C.
<u>Immigration/Border/Worker Mobility</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has called for a mass deportation of undocumented immigrants, will not offer amnesty to those that entered illegally, and plans to build a wall along the entire US-Mexico border. "Suspend the issuance of visas to any place where adequate screening cannot occur". 	s.13,s.16
<u>Economy</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports significant tax cuts in all brackets and anti-trade measures that are expected, according to independent analysis, to result in \$10 trillion less revenue for the federal government and lead to 3.5 million job losses. 	s.13,s.16
<u>Agriculture</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No commitments specific to this sector, but trade positions will negatively impact the industry in B.C. 	s.13,s.16

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B.C.-U.S. Strategy

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B.C.'s engagement and advocacy approach with the U.S. should include the following:

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This strategy will be further developed and finalized before Inauguration Day, January 20th.

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Comments on the U.S. Election by Canadian Premiers

Premier Clark:

- "The United States is a close friend and partner of British Columbia. Alongside the Government of Canada, we will work diligently and with determination to ensure we protect and grow the relationship that is crucial to working families in our province on issues like free trade and a new softwood lumber agreement."
- "[NAFTA and free trade] profoundly changed Canada's economy for the better. We want to make sure that stays in place."
- "We should recognize Secretary Hillary Clinton's historic run. For the first time, a woman has contested the presidency for one of the two major political parties – a significant and important signal."
- "A president also works with [the] senate and congress so I'm sure that president-elect Trump will reflect the views of all of those people who've been elected in this campaign."

Premier Notley:

- "We will work closely with the Government of Canada and with other provinces to defend Canadian interests, and of course Albertan interests, during any review of our trade arrangements with the United States... including any review or negotiations of NAFTA."
- "The United States is Alberta's most significant energy market... we will be working closely with our energy industry to see if new opportunities to grow that relationship now lie before us under a new U.S. administration."
- "The most important objective for us is to diversify our markets and diversify access to markets."
- "A Canadian pipeline to tidewater remains an important priority for Alberta."
- "There are strong, strong, compelling reasons for moving forward on our climate leadership plan, and decisions of the voters south of the border are not things that should appropriately factor into that."
- "It also makes sense – in Canada and all around the world – to act on climate change, to phase out coal pollution, and to phase in clean renewable energy."

Premier Wall:

- "Canada must now work with the new president in the best interests of both our great countries... President-elect Trump has made some election promises that could be positive for Canada and others that are concerning."
- "[President-elect Trump] has indicated his support for the Keystone XL pipeline, and with Republican majorities in both the House and Senate, I am hopeful that this important project will move ahead quickly."
- "I hope he reconsiders his plan to end NAFTA. I would urge Prime Minister Trudeau and our federal government to reach out to the new administration as soon as possible on these and other issues of importance to our two countries."
- "The election result means we will not be seeing a carbon tax in the U.S. anytime soon. Washington state... rejected [a carbon tax] by 58 per cent."
- "It makes no sense for our federal government to push ahead with imposing a national carbon tax, when our biggest trading partner – and our biggest competitor for investment and jobs – is not going to have one."

Premier Pallister:

- "We recognize Manitoba is a trading province, and that we benefit from trade very much."
- "Obstructionism and protectionism" could stand in the way of "trade opportunities being fully explored" with the U.S.
- "We're ready here in Manitoba to compete with [the U.S.] on a fair and level playing field and it wouldn't be wise for them to admit defeat by locking the doors on us."
- Premier Pallister noted U.S. politicians have discussed altering NAFTA for years and Hillary Clinton also vowed to adjust the deal.
- The Premier said the Manitoba government is working to "open up other trading opportunities" outside of the United States.

Premier Wynne:

- Wynne said she is "worried" about Trump's threat to North American free trade.
- "I'm very concerned for our trade relationship with the United States... we're going to be fighting very hard here in Ontario to keep those open relationships. We are interdependent on the United States."
- "The reality is, we work with whoever is the president of the United States... my hope is that whoever is there will understand how important Canada, and Ontario, are to that partnership."
- "We've made a lot of progress on the climate change discussion globally and if we've got a president who really doesn't see the importance of that, it puts so much at risk."
- "The United States is clearly a major partner. It is an unavoidable player. But I see things like China making a move toward setting up a national carbon market. It will be difficult for a great country like the United States to ignore that."

Premier Couillard:

- "North America, Quebec, Canada and the world are in a state of uncertainty and potential instability."
- Premier Couillard said he is most preoccupied by what impact a Trump presidency might have on the province's lumber industry.
- The Premier expressed hope that Quebec's export-based economy would continue to have good ties with the U.S., and said that the two economies are so integrated that there's little doubt they will continue to trade their products.
- Premier Couillard also promised to work on developing new markets, especially in Europe due to the recently-signed CETA free trade deal.
- "The speech of the president-elect was already very different in tone from the speech of the candidate, much more unifying in its message... that was a very positive tone which I will use as a landmark for future events."

Donald Trump's Contract with the American Voter

Six measures to clean up the corruption and special interest collusion in Washington, DC:

- ★ **FIRST**, propose a constitutional amendment to impose term limits on all members of Congress.
- ★ **SECOND**, a hiring freeze on all federal employees to reduce the federal workforce through attrition (exempting military, public safety, and public health).
- ★ **THIRD**, a requirement that for every new federal regulation, two existing regulations must be eliminated.
- ★ **FOURTH**, a five-year ban on White House and Congressional officials becoming lobbyists after they leave government service.
- ★ **FIFTH**, a lifetime ban on White House officials lobbying on behalf of a foreign government.
- ★ **SIXTH**, a complete ban on foreign lobbyists raising money for American elections.

Seven actions to protect American workers:

- ★ **FIRST**, I will announce my intention to renegotiate NAFTA or withdraw from the deal under Article 2205.
- ★ **SECOND**, I will announce our withdrawal from the Trans-Pacific Partnership.
- ★ **THIRD**, I will direct the Secretary of the Treasury to label China a currency manipulator.



★ **FOURTH**, I will direct the Secretary of Commerce and U.S. Trade Representative to identify all foreign trading abuses that unfairly impact American workers and direct them to use every tool under American and international law to end those abuses immediately.

★ **FIFTH**, I will lift the restrictions on the production of \$50 trillion dollars' worth of job-producing American energy reserves, including shale, oil, natural gas and clean coal.

★ **SIXTH**, lift the Obama-Clinton roadblocks and allow vital energy infrastructure projects, like the Keystone Pipeline, to move forward.

★ **SEVENTH**, cancel billions in payments to U.N. climate change programs and use the money to fix America's water and environmental infrastructure.

Five actions to restore security and the constitutional rule of law:

- ★ **FIRST**, cancel every unconstitutional executive action, memorandum and order issued by President Obama.
- ★ **SECOND**, begin the process of selecting a replacement for Justice Scalia from one of the 20 judges on my list, who will uphold and defend the U.S. Constitution.
- ★ **THIRD**, cancel all federal funding to sanctuary cities.
- ★ **FOURTH**, begin removing the more than two million criminal illegal immigrants from the country and cancel visas to foreign countries that won't take them back.
- ★ **FIFTH**, suspend immigration from terror-prone regions where vetting cannot safely occur. All vetting of people coming into our country will be considered "extreme vetting."

I will work with Congress to introduce the following broader legislative measures and fight for their passage within the first 100 days of my Administration:

Middle Class Tax Relief and Simplification Act

An economic plan designed to grow the economy 4% per year and create at least 25 million new jobs through massive tax reduction and simplification, in combination with trade reform, regulatory relief and lifting the restrictions on American energy. The largest tax reductions are for the middle class. A middle-class family with two children will get a 35% tax cut. The current number of brackets will be reduced from seven to three, and tax forms will likewise be greatly simplified. The business rate will be lowered from 35% to 15%, and the trillions of dollars of American corporate money overseas can now be brought back at a 10% rate.

End the Offshoring Act

Establishes tariffs to discourage companies from laying off their workers in order to relocate in other countries and ship their products back to the U.S. tax-free.

American Energy and Infrastructure Act

Leverages public-private partnerships, and private investments through tax incentives, to spur \$1 trillion in infrastructure investment over ten years. It is revenue neutral.

School Choice and Education Opportunity Act

Redirects education dollars to give parents the right to send their kid to the public, private, charter, magnet, religious or home school of their choice. Ends Common Core and brings education supervision to local communities. It expands vocational and technical education, and makes two- and four-year college more affordable.

Repeal and Replace Obamacare Act

Fully repeals Obamacare and replaces it with Health Savings Accounts, the ability to purchase health insurance across state lines and lets states manage Medicaid funds. Reforms will also include cutting the red tape at the FDA: there are over 4,000 drugs awaiting approval, and we especially want to speed the approval of life-saving medications.

Affordable Childcare and Eldercare Act

Allows Americans to deduct childcare and eldercare from their taxes, incentivizes employers to provide on-site childcare services and creates tax-free dependent care savings accounts for both young and elderly dependents, with matching contributions for low-income families.

End Illegal Immigration Act

Fully-funds the construction of a wall on our southern border with the full understanding that the country of Mexico will be reimbursing the United States for the full cost of such wall; establishes a two-year mandatory minimum federal prison sentence for illegally re-entering the U.S. after a previous deportation, and a five-year mandatory minimum federal prison sentence for illegally re-entering for those with felony convictions, multiple misdemeanor convictions or two or more prior deportations; also reforms visa rules to enhance penalties for overstaying and to ensure open jobs are offered to American workers first.

Restoring Community Safety Act

Reduces surging crime, drugs and violence by creating a task force on violent crime and increasing funding for programs that train and assist local police; increases resources for federal law enforcement agencies and federal prosecutors to dismantle criminal gangs and put violent offenders behind bars.

Restoring National Security Act

Rebuilds our military by eliminating the defense sequester and expanding military investment; provides veterans with the ability to receive public VA treatment or attend the private doctor of their choice; protects our vital infrastructure from cyber-attack; establishes new screening procedures for immigration to ensure those who are admitted to our country support our people and our values.

Clean Up Corruption in Washington Act

Enacts new ethics reforms to drain the swamp and reduce the corrupting influence of special interests on our politics.

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Fyi

From: Carroll, Sandra AVED:EX
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To: Sweeney, Neil PREM:EX
Cc: Maranda, Pierrette IGRS:EX
Subject: RE: US election

Neil,
The only file that has the potential for concern is International Education. US students may chose not to come to BC/Canada however other countries now may select BC / Canada over a US institution.
Thx

From: Sweeney, Neil PREM:EX
Sent: Wednesday, November 9, 2016 10:17 AM
To: BCPSA Agency DMC List
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Subject: Re: US election

Oil and Gas Interests

Pipelines:

U.S. President-elect Donald Trump (DT) has expressed support for oil pipelines specifically Keystone TX pipeline. A campaign document suggested DT would invite TransCanada Corporation to reapply, but with one caveat – Trump stated in a January 2016 campaign speech: “I want the developers of [Keystone XL] to give the United States a big, big chunk of the profits or even ownership rights” adding he intended to ask for “25 per cent of the profits, forever.”

Markets and Trade Agreements:

The US has become self-sufficient for natural gas and could become self-sufficient for oil in a few years with continued growth in shale oil.^{s.16}

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Carbon and Methane Emissions:

PM and President Obama committed to 40-45% reduction on methane emissions from oil and gas (Mexico joined later).^{s.16}

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Dave Nikolejsin
Deputy Minister
Natural Gas Development

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To: Hewitt, Jeremy IGRS:EX
Subject: Fw: US election

From: Sturko, Derek AGRI:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2016 3:53 PM
To: Sweeney, Neil PREM:EX
Cc: Wharf, Sandy PREM:EX; Maranda, Pierrette IGRS:EX
Subject: RE: US election

Neil – things with an agriculture element which could result from the US election (some of which I’m sure you’ll hear from other perspectives as well) include:

Trans Pacific Partnership

- BC has publicly stated that the TPP would provide a net benefit to BC Agrifoods, in particular for sectors such as seafood exports, but with some risks to supply managed commodities (milk, eggs, etc.).

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NAFTA

- The US is the primary export market for BC agriculture, seafood and food processing. As well the US is a significant source of BC’s food supply
- NAFTA provides the fundamental basis of free trade with the US. s.13,s.16

Country of Origin Labelling (COOL)

- The US previously put in place COOL measures that had the effect of hindering cattle exports from Canada to the US. After several trade challenges and significant diplomatic efforts, the Obama administration assisted in changing COOL to allow for more equitable access of Canadian cattle.

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International marine fisheries treaties, and sharing arrangements:

- BC is working with Canada to prepare for upcoming, and ongoing, negotiations with the US on fisheries sharing arrangements including albacore tuna and Pacific salmon, as well as halibut and hake. These agreements represent significant benefits to Canadian and BC fisheries sectors, as well as to the US.

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Under the Regulatory Cooperation Council (RCC)

- The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) works with its counterparts in the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the United States Food & Drug Administration (USFDA) in areas of plant health, animal health, meat inspection and food safety to align regulatory approaches between the two countries where possible. An example of the benefits of this initiative will be a reduction in delays in cross border shipments of plant, animal and food products. s.13,s.16

US Presidential Task Force on IUU Fishing and Seafood Fraud

- There is ongoing advocacy with the US on the U.S. Seafood Traceability Scheme that is being developed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in response to the US Presidential Task Force on IUU Fishing and Seafood Fraud. Canada has emphasized the need for the US to prioritize discussions with Canadian officials to ensure regulations recognize Canada-US trade and provide sufficient flexibility for the industry to adapt to the new requirements.
- Work continues to develop a “Trusted Trader” program, along with a traceability rule that builds on current programs.
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Transboundary Task Force to address surface water quality issues

- Washington State and the Province of BC are currently in the process of developing a Transboundary Task Force to address surface water quality issues. The Washington State political driver of the Task Force is Governor Jay Inslee (Democrat) of WA who was re-elected November 8th.
- In Governor Inslee’s acceptance speech, he indicated that “Washington will fight against climate change and for clean air and clean water..., Washington is and will be a leader in clean-energy technology and will not be going backwards in a fight against climate change”.

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Climate Change and implications for Paris Agreement

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Hope this helps. Let me know if you need anything else.

Derek Sturko

Deputy Minister

BC Ministry of Agriculture

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Subject: Follow-up to conference call on outcomes of the U.S. Election / Suivis à un appel conférence sur l'élection aux États-Unis

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Dear colleagues,

Thank you again for making time for our call this afternoon. We will look to continue this dialogue, share information, and hold further calls as the situation evolves.

As discussed, please provide a list of your top priorities in relation with the U.S. to facilitate alignment of federal and provincial/territorial strategies to Patrick Tanguy (Patrick.Tanguy@pco-bcp.gc.ca). If possible, we would appreciate this information by December 1st.

As I mentioned, we would be happy to make our trade officials available should you wish to hold more in-depth conversations on details related to trade. Please signal your interest to Patrick if you would like to be connected with the appropriate individuals.

Finally, please find below a link to the document prepared by the Trump campaign that was referenced during the call (available only in English):

<https://assets.donaldjtrump.com/landings/contract/O-TRU-102316-Contractv02.pdf>

Thanks to Ambassador MacNaughton, Ian Shugart, John Hannaford, and Daniel Jean for taking the time to share their views.

Michael Wernick

Collègues,

Je vous remercie d'avoir pris le temps de participer à notre appel de cet après-midi. Nous souhaitons pouvoir poursuivre ce dialogue, partager de l'information, et avoir d'autres appels selon l'évolution de la situation.

Tel que discuté, veuillez nous faire parvenir une liste de vos principales priorités en lien avec les États-Unis afin de faciliter l'alignement des stratégies fédérales et provinciales/territoriales. Je vous

prie de faire parvenir cette information à Patrick Tanguy (Patrick.Tanguy@pco-bcp.gc.ca), si possible, d'ici au 1^{er} décembre.

Tel que je l'ai mentionné, nous serons heureux de rendre disponibles nos fonctionnaires responsables du commerce si vous souhaitez vous entretenir en détail d'enjeux reliés au commerce. Veuillez faire part de votre intérêt à Patrick advenant que vous souhaitiez être mis en contact avec les personnes appropriées.

Finalement, vous trouverez, ci-bas, le lien au document préparé par la campagne Trump qui a été mentionné lors de notre appel (disponible en anglais seulement):

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Je remercie également l'Ambassadeur MacNaughton, Ian Shugart, John Hannaford, et Daniel Jean d'avoir pris le temps de partager leur point de vue.

Michael Wernick

Statement by the Prime Minister of Canada on the result of the US Presidential Election

Ottawa, Ontario - November 9, 2016

The Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, today issued the following statement on the result of the US Presidential Election:

"On behalf of the Government of Canada, I would like to congratulate Donald J. Trump on his election as the next President of the United States.

"Canada has no closer friend, partner, and ally than the United States. We look forward to working very closely with President-elect Trump, his administration, and with the United States Congress in the years ahead, including on issues such as trade, investment, and international peace and security.

"The relationship between our two countries serves as a model for the world. Our shared values, deep cultural ties, and strong integrated economies will continue to provide the basis for advancing our strong and prosperous partnership."

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Attachments: OUTCOMES OF US ELECTION.doc

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Dear Colleagues,

Serge and I would like to invite you to a brief discussion on the outcome of the U.S. Presidential Election today. The call will take place at 1:30 p.m. (Ottawa time). Dial-in information is as follows:

Local Dial-in number: s.15,s.16 Toll-free Dial-in Number: s.15,s.16 Conference ID: s.15,s.16
Find attached a short report on the U.S. election.

Please find below the link to the Statement issued by the Prime Minister this morning:

<http://www.pm.gc.ca/eng/news>

Michael Wernick
Clerk of the Privy Council
and Secretary to the Cabinet
Government of Canada

Serge Dupont
Deputy Clerk of the Privy Council
and Associate Secretary to the Cabinet
and Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs
Government of Canada

Chers collègues,

Serge et moi aimerions vous convier à une brève discussion qui se tiendra aujourd'hui au sujet du résultat de l'élection présidentielle aux États-Unis. L'appel aura lieu à 13h 30 (heure d'Ottawa). Les coordonnées pour participer à l'appel sont les suivantes : Numéro de téléphone local à composer : s.15,s.16 Numéro de téléphone sans frais à composer : s.15,s.16 Numéro d'identification de la conférence : s.15,s.16 Vous trouverez, ci-joint, un bref rapport sur les élections aux États-Unis (disponible en anglais seulement).

Veuillez trouver ci-dessous le lien à la Déclaration du Premier Ministre émise ce matin.

<http://www.pm.gc.ca/fra/nouvelles>

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OUTCOMES OF U.S ELECTION

Donald Trump has been elected the 45th president of the United States.

Trump has won 289 electoral votes to Clinton's 218 (as of this morning).

Trump has swept all 24 states that Mitt Romney won in 2012, and added to them wins in Florida, Ohio, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Iowa.

While the final popular vote will take days to finalize, Trump currently leads the national vote 47.5% to Clinton's 47.7%, while Libertarian candidate Gary Johnson has achieved 3% (a potential factor that may have drawn from Clinton's support). More than 47 million of those votes were cast before Election Day, a new record.

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The Trump campaign had always said it intended to make inroads in traditional blue-leaning Rust Belt states, which they appear to have accomplished with their wins in states like Wisconsin and Michigan, but they also managed to hold on to traditional red states that the Clinton campaign had been eyeing as potential upsets, including Georgia and Arizona.

Senate: Republicans will retain control of the United States Senate. Democrats picked up just one Senate seat, far short of the five they needed to take back the majority. In maintaining their control of the Senate, Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) will remain the majority leader and control the chamber's legislative agenda, but he will have a new Democratic adversary in Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY).

House: Republicans won enough seats to maintain power in the House of Representatives, which the party has controlled since the 2010 midterm elections.

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Governors: Twelve states held gubernatorial elections. Republicans kept at least three governorships in Indiana, North Dakota and Utah; the race in North Carolina was too close to call. Republicans picked up three more governor's seats in Missouri, New Hampshire and Vermont. The Democrats held on to their seats in Delaware, Oregon, Washington and West Virginia, and were leading in Montana.

The electorate: s.13

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Hillary Clinton performed, and in some areas, outperformed, President Obama's 2012 results

in urban areas. s.13

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Turnout was at record levels across the country.

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the gender gap that many anticipated never really materialized and a decline in voter turnout s.13

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Exits polls emphasized a divided nation. Notably, voters surveyed indicated the economy/jobs as their top issue, far surpassing terrorism, foreign policy and immigration. In the rust belt states. large shares of voters agree with Trump that trade costs U.S. jobs. s.13

Mr. Trump, who has centered much of his campaign around trade and immigration issues, s.13

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Among his priorities, Trump has said that the U.S. will renegotiate NAFTA, or withdraw from the trade deal, and the U.S. would withdraw from the Trans-Pacific Partnership.

Trump would also ask the Treasury Secretary to label China a currency manipulator, and will look to punish companies that move jobs overseas.

He would remove illegal immigrants and suspend immigration from "terror-prone" regions of the world, but also impose mandatory minimum prison sentences for those who enter the U.S. illegally and appeal to Congress for authorization to build a wall along the border with Mexico.

In distancing himself from the previous Obama administration, he has said he plans to cancel every "unconstitutional action" issued by Obama, including orders on immigration.

He also plans to lift restrictions on energy production and would invite TransCanada to re-submit its application for the Keystone XL project. He has also mentioned cancelling the Paris climate change agreement and any payments to U.N. climate change programs, as well as rescinding the Clean Power Plan.

Trump would replace Obama's nominee to the Supreme Court with his own conservative nominee, and would make repealing the Affordable Care Act ("Obamacare") a priority.

He has also indicated that he would propose term limits on members of Congress, a hiring freeze at most federal agencies, new limits on lobbying by former White House and congressional officials, and a requirement that any new proposed regulation be accompanied by the elimination of two existing regulations.

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Attachments: Election Policy Analysis.pdf

Dear Kim,

Attached is an analysis from Nelson Mullins regarding the 2016 election, and our insight on issues likely to be addressed by the President and Congress in 2017.

I knew this would be of interest to you, and hope that you find it informative and helpful.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything further, please feel free to contact me.

Thanks,

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SUBJECT: The 2016 Election and What It Means Going Forward

If 2016 has taught us anything, it is that the conventional wisdom has proved to be neither conventional nor wisdom. Below, however, are our thoughts on the “conventional wisdom” on possible policy changes.

Near Total Republican Control

Rarely has Republican dominance been so pronounced. In 2017 Republicans will control the White House and both chambers of Congress. The 2018 Senate map is favorable to Republicans creating a path to a 60-vote filibuster proof majority during the latter half of the Trump administration. Democrats will be defending 25 seats (23 Democrats and two independents who caucus with them) to the Republicans' eight seats. Of the 25 Democratic seats up for grabs, at least nine are in states Trump won on Tuesday.

Republicans also control at least 33 of the nation's 50 governorships (the largest one-party control since 1922), 29 attorneys-general, 31 secretaries of state, and 69 of 99 legislative majorities across the country, having total control in 25 states compared to five states for the Democrats, an historic low.

What's Up in 2017?

2017 will be a busy year in Congress – six years of gridlock will come to an end. Single party control paired with a newly elected President's first hundred days will create a flurry of legislation. In the first year of the 115th Congress we will see action on tax policy, health care, infrastructure, and reducing financial and environmental regulations.

While financial services legislation will be focused in the House (more below), much of the other action will be centered in the Senate. Senate Democrats and the power of the filibuster will be the final backstop to any policy changes. If Senate Democrats launch too broad a strategy of opposition, however, Republicans have an ability to use the budget reconciliation procedure to move legislation, or they could change Senate rules requiring 60 votes to invoke cloture. With so many Democrats up in 2018, many in Republican leaning states, the threat of getting steamrolled or defeated at the ballot box could bring Democrats to the table.

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Trump will get his nominees confirmed as when the Democrats controlled the Senate, they changed the rules for Senate confirmation to a simple majority for all presidential appointments, except for the Supreme Court, which remains at 60 votes.

Policy Changes

While Mr. Trump will have a unified government in Washington and some executive authority, legal, practical and political limitations will constrain some of his policy efforts.

Cybersecurity

Trump could move aggressively to promote a cybersecurity policy early in his Administration. The Republican platform called for an "immediate review of all U.S. cyber defenses and developing "offensive cyber capabilities we need to deter attacks by both state and non-state actors, and, if necessary, to respond appropriately." The conservative Heritage Foundation has outsize influence on the Trump transition, and in its recommendations to the new Administration it called for "breaking down barriers that prevent cooperation between civilian agencies, and reach agreements with civilian government agencies regarding how DHS can improve cybersecurity and respond to cyber attacks." Trump advisor Mayor Rudy Giuliani has stated that, "I would like to invent the real, overall, holistic solution to cybersecurity."

Defense

Trump has pledged to modernize the nation's aging nuclear arsenal, expand the Navy to 350 ships (from 272 now), increase the size of the Army to 540,000 active duty soldiers (from 457,000 today), and provide the Air Force with 1,200 fighter jets. He will pay for that with a "full audit" at the Pentagon to root out waste and abuse.

Energy and the Environment

The \$3.7 billion Dakota Access pipeline project is now likely to move forward; in fact it may be approved soon by the Obama administration. Trump has said he would revive the Keystone XL pipeline and TransCanada. He said Wednesday that he "remains fully committed to building Keystone XL."

Trump has said he would roll-back regulations setting carbon limits for new power plants, the Waters of the United States rule, and the 2015 70-parts-per-billion ozone standard, although as yet the method to do so remains murky. If rules are withdrawn by the EPA, it would trigger the Administrative Procedure Act, a process that could take years.

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The quickest way to overturn the rules may be through congressional action, though the legislation would have to garner 60 votes in the Senate.

While the Paris climate change agreement lays out a four-year process for withdrawal, it will be unenforceable on day one as it carries no penalties for countries that don't live up to their pledges to curb their pollution. Trump will probably opt for quiet underachievement than a grand exit.

Trump will stop any U.S. payments for the \$2.5 billion balance the U.S. owes United Nations climate change programs.

Trump will use executive authority to slow or stall renewable energy leasing on federal lands, reinstate federal coal leasing and federal oil and gas lease sales, and expand liquefied natural gas exports. Trump will consider trimming wind and solar tax credits as a way to pay for the child tax credits he has proposed.

Trump will have the opportunity to fill two existing vacancies on FERC, subject to Senate confirmation, and select its next chairman. The Trump administration is expected to keep the "energy czar" post that the Obama administration set up in the White House, with, obviously, very different goals.

Financial and Monetary Policy

Trump's team has been tempering expectations for a full repeal of Dodd-Frank. Work done by the House Financial Services Committee, however, will likely be the core of policy changes in this area. Vice President-elect Pence will likely have special sway on policy in this area with his close ties to House Republicans. Chairman Jeb Hensarling's *Financial Choice Act* (HR 5983), introduced in September, will serve as the guide to future financial regulations. That legislation allows well capitalized community banks to opt out of much of Dodd-Frank, repeals the Volker Rule and the Durbin Amendment, among other provisions. The legislation is available at: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/5983>

The Republican Party platform called for reviving the Glass-Steagall Act, prohibiting commercial banks from engaging in the investment business.

Immediate changes are not expected at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and the Financial Stability Oversight Council, two regulatory entities created as part of Dodd-Frank, but significant changes could be down the road. CFPB Director Richard Cordray may be replaced in the aftermath of a recent federal appeals court ruling that Cordray serves at the pleasure of the president and can be replaced at any time. If not, his term ends in July 2018. Congressional action will likely require that the CFPB have a commission at its head rather than a single director, and put its funding under congressional control, rather than through the Fed. While Senator Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) has praised Trump for suggesting reinstating

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Glass-Steagall and reforming trade deals, she will fight "every step of the way" any changes to the Dodd-Frank in the Senate.

Trump cannot remove Fed Chair Janet Yellen from office before her four-year term expires. By mid-2018, however, Trump can replace the Fed's top personnel and potentially alter monetary and regulatory policies.

The debt limit is suspended and will remain suspended until March 15, 2017, when it will automatically reset to include all of the debt issued while suspended. This will trigger the Treasury Department's "extraordinary measures," accounting moves to keep under the limit, and that will be aided by April tax receipts. It is likely that the next Congress will take one vote to set a new ceiling high enough to allow Trump to implement his domestic agenda.

Trump will likely name China a currency manipulator.

Health Care

Using executive action and the budget reconciliation process (which the Democrats used to pass the ACA when they were in control) Trump and congressional Republicans will gut some of the law's key provisions such as premium subsidies for insurance, a requirement that Americans carry insurance, and an expansion of Medicaid for the poor. Medicaid may be converted to state block grants or per-capita caps. The insurance exchanges will be left to fail.

Several of the law's popular consumer protections will likely remain in place, including the requirement that insurers cover everyone regardless of their health status, the prohibition of charging sick people higher premiums, and children staying on parents' plans until age 26. Also, there will be legislative action to reduce the number of Americans losing health insurance coverage due to the changes being made. Several Republican governors accepted the federal funding to expand Medicaid in their states (including then Indiana Governor Mike Pence) and the 150,000 persons added to the program nationally will need to be accommodated.

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation and the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, both deeply unpopular with congressional Republicans, will probably be eliminated.

The Republican proposal will also increase the use of health savings accounts and allow for health insurance sales across state lines to create a "national market" for health insurance.

Trump favors allowing the importation of prescription drugs to help counter high drug costs in the United States.

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Trump and Speaker Paul Ryan have both spoken of "modernizing Medicare" and maximizing state flexibility in the program. One signal of possible health care policy direction could be the Medicaid reform plan that then Budget Chairman Ryan authored with Senate Finance Committee Ranking Democrat Ron Wyden. That report is at:

<http://budget.house.gov/UploadedFiles/WydenRyan.pdf>

Immigration

Chief among Trump's action items is undoing the "Obama administration's executive amnesty" – both the 2012 deferred action for childhood arrivals program and the 2014 deferred action for parents of Americans and lawful residents program, as well as laying the groundwork for consulting with Congress on constructing a wall on the southern boarder. It is likely, however, that Congress would approve more double layers of fencing along the 2,000 mile boarder, rather than a brick-and mortar wall. Also proposed is mandatory E-Verify for all employers, which would also require congressional action. It's currently optional for most employers. Also on the list are changes to H-1B visas.

Regulatory Policy

Trump has said that he would cut back on "70 to 80 percent" of all federal regulations across industries and place a moratorium on new regulations for the first 100 days of his administration.

Trump will ask all federal regulatory agencies to review the rules on their books to find those that are "not necessary, do not improve public safety, and which needlessly kill jobs." Under prior executive orders, OMB now uses a "net societal benefit" standard in evaluating regulations. As stated, Trump has focused on whether regulations create jobs, and by executive order he could direct OMB to use that standard, making it more difficult for restrictive rules to become final.

Congress may turn to the Congressional Review Act to quickly overturn some rules. Part of a 1996 law, the CRA allows new regulations to be overturned through a joint resolution of disapproval. It was successfully used in 2001 to overturn a Clinton-era ergonomic rule. Rules issued since May 2016 could be subject to review by the new Congress if they have an economic effect of \$100 million or more, result in major increases in costs for industries, consumer or governments, or have adverse effects on employment, competitiveness, and other factors.

Trump could swiftly rescind any of Obama's executive orders beginning on day one. Obama's executive orders may be found here: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/executive-orders>

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Tax Policy

Tax cuts will be enacted before the August 2017 congressional recess. Under Trump's proposal, individual income tax rates would be cut for seven brackets to three; 12 percent, 25 percent, and 33 percent, while the corporate tax rate would be reduced to 15 percent from 35 percent, and the estate tax would be eliminated. Trump proposes ending some tax breaks – including the carried interest provision – and capping deductions. Republicans would prefer not to use the budget reconciliation process to pass these cuts as they wouldn't be able to make the tax cuts permanent, as under Senate rules, tax cuts that add to the deficit after 10 years can't benefit from the expedited procedure. At this writing, however, as FY2017 appropriations are not complete, the plan is to have a FY2017 reconciliation bill early next year to gut the ACA, and later a FY2018 reconciliation for tax reform.

Trade

The Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal is dead.

Under Chapter 22 of NAFTA, Trump can withdraw the U.S. from NAFTA after six month's written notice. Early on he may announce that he is considering withdrawing from NAFTA to trigger negotiations. Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau has already signaled a willingness to consider changes to NAFTA, and there is a case for updating the 1994 law as when it was passed digital commerce didn't exist. There is some concern in the defense community, however, that unilateral trade actions by the U.S. could damage the \$60 billion surplus the U.S. now enjoys in military sales. And changes to trade policy could be especially complicated for the auto industry because of the multilayered connections between U.S. and foreign suppliers and assembly points.

It is possible that Trump could propose a free-trade agreement with the United Kingdom. Trump has invited U.K. Prime Minister May to visit "as soon as possible."

Transportation and Infrastructure

Congressional Republicans are no fans of a big-spending "shovel-ready" transportation spending plan, having lived through the \$832 billion Obama stimulus. Infrastructure proposals will be linked to international tax reform, as there is bipartisan agreement that the international tax system needs to be fixed, and could be used to fund infrastructure without increasing federal spending. Trump's proposal is to "spur \$1 trillion in infrastructure development" over a decade through a "revenue neutral" program to leverage "public-private partnerships, and private investments through tax incentives." The core of the proposal is to set up tax credits totaling 82% of funds investors who provide equity to state and local governments for new infrastructure projects. The catch is that this tax-based proposal would only work for revenue-generating infrastructure projects such as toll roads and airport and port facilities. It would do little to fix the Highway Trust Fund.

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Trump Transition

Last week the 22 department heads working in Trump's transition team submitted their plans for approval. Each department has a "landing team" ready to engage government departments and agencies to get the first 100-day plan rolling, and teams are expected to be entering departments and agencies this week. Information on the transition is available at: www.GreatAgain.gov

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Subject: As requested: US election
Attachments: US election 2016.docx; Immigration Summary US Election Response.docx

Hi Neil – As requested – JTSTL overview.

US Election Analysis – Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training, and Labour

Business Area	Trump Election Commitments	BC Implications
Tourism Policy	<i>"Work with Congress to modernize our airports and air traffic control systems, end long wait times, and reform the FAA and TSA, while also ensuring that American travelers are safe from terrorism and other threats."</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A preclearance agreement for air, land, rail and sea signed earlier this year between Canada and US allows for security and immigration screening of US-bound passengers at select locations in Canada. The previous agreement only covered travel by air therefore US preclearance is currently only provided at YVR. Legislation to enact the agreement is before both federal legislatures.
Community Transition	<i>"Direct the Secretary of Commerce to identify every violation of trade agreements a foreign country is currently using to harm our workers, and also direct all appropriate agencies to use every tool under American and international law to end these abuses."</i>	
MIO Projects	<i>"Negotiate fair trade deals that create American jobs, increase American wages, and reduce America's trade deficit."</i>	

US Election Analysis – Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training, and Labour

Business Area	Trump Election Commitments	BC Implications
Immigration	<p><i>"Reform legal immigration to serve the best interests of America and its workers, keeping immigration levels within historic norms."</i></p> <p><i>"Suspend, on a temporary basis, immigration from some of the most dangerous and volatile regions of the world that have a history of exporting terrorism."</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immigration reform and deportations /restrictions potentially being put into place in the US could result in increased refugee/amnesty claims in BC/Canada and interest in immigration to BC / Canada. We may see an increase in demand for BC PNP and other temporary / immigration pathways. Web traffic to Welcome BC (our immigration services website) and WorkBC.ca.
Worker Mobility between Canada and US	<i>"Tell NAFTA partners that we intend to immediately renegotiate the terms of that agreement to get a better deal for our workers. If they don't agree to a renegotiation, we will submit notice that the U.S. intends to withdraw from the deal."</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There would be implications to worker mobility under NAFTA if the US withdraws – making it harder for skilled workers to move back and forth seamlessly between the two countries.
Worker Mobility between Canada and US	Election outcome of a Trump Presidency	
Skills Training Programs	Election outcome of a Trump Presidency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most of our skills training programs respond to labour demand. More ESS programs and less trades training might be required if the BC economy was negatively impacted by a slow-down in the US or significant restrictions on US trade.

US Election Analysis – Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training, and Labour

Business Area	Trump Election Commitments	BC Implications
Labour	Nothing about labour relations, employment standards, or workers' compensation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New administration could undo rather than doing anything new by policy or law. For example, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Not putting in a federal minimum wage^{s.13} ○ Undo some contracts or arrangements employers have relative to moving work offshore. This might result in more workers, more unionized workers even, working in the US - although under what terms are unclear.
Creative sector	Nothing specific	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing immediate.
Tourism program / Marketing	Nothing specific	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing immediate.

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Additional BC Actions/Response

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Good morning Athana,

Provincial Treasury has been closely monitoring the markets and provides a brief summary on bond yields and spreads, bond liquidity, equities and currency markets. In summary, there is relative stability in the markets.

Please see attached Briefing Note.

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For the purpose of determining the market reaction in the aftermath of Donald Trump's victory

COMMENTS:

Provincial Treasury is closely monitoring the financial markets (government bond yields, spreads, short term rates, equities, and exchange rates and provides the following comments as of 8 am Pacific time.

Bond Yields and Spreads:

- Canadian bond yields are up 6 bps in the long end and 3 bps in the 10 year term
- US Treasury yields are up about 16 bps in the long end and 11 bps in the 10 year term
- Provincial spreads are generally wider by about 1 bps
- Canadian short term rates are relatively unchanged out to 1 year
- US LIBOR is relatively unchanged
- BC spreads versus Ontario are relatively unchanged

Bond Liquidity:

- Trading volumes are brisk for Canada bonds and a little slower for provincials as of early morning

Equities:

- Despite steep declines in the overnight futures markets immediately after the Trump victory, equities have rebounded
- Dow Jones index is up around 103 points
- TSX is up around 70 points

Currency Markets:

- Canadian dollar is moderately weaker by about 1 cent vs the US\$
- Mexican peso is down sharply

NEXT STEPS:

Further update to be provided later today and over the coming days

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Bloomberg News

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- Next U.S. president has said climate change is a hoax
- Focus on talks in Morocco aimed at implementing Paris deal

The global fight against climate change will suffer a blow from Donald Trump's victory in the U.S. presidential election, threatening the industries working to clean up pollution from fossil fuel.

The next president has questioned the science of climate change, vowed to withdraw from the Paris agreement on global warming and pledged to stimulate production of coal, the dirtiest fossil fuel. Green campaigners and policymakers, some of whom are gathered this week in Morocco for talks on implementing the Paris deal, sounded the alarm over the upheaval they expect when Trump takes office in January.

"The presidency of Donald Trump relegates the West as we knew it to the realm of the past," Reinhard Butikofer and Monica Frassoni, co-chairs of the European Green Party, said in a statement. "If Donald Trump pursues the foreign policies that he announced during his campaign, this will severely undermine trans-Atlantic relations, the international rule of law and world peace."

Under President Barack Obama, the U.S. rescued a two-decade-old process the United Nations promoted to rein in pollution damaging the climate, forging the Paris deal last year. Along with China and more than 190 other countries, the accord set out a framework for all nations to cut emissions. Trump has said he will cancel that work.

"This is a very bad outcome," Tom Steyer, founder of San Francisco-based advocacy group NextGen Climate Action, said in a phone interview Wednesday. "The Paris accord was a historic attempt to move forward as a globe to deal with a global problem, with American leadership. If he follows through on his campaign statements, that would be a devastating mistake."

QuickTake
Climate Change

May Boeve, executive director of the anti-fossil-fuel campaign group 350.org, said in a statement that "Trump will try and slam the brakes on climate action. Our work becomes much harder now, but it's not impossible, and we refuse to give up."

Envoys drawn from environment and energy ministries gathered on Monday for two weeks of talks on climate organized by the UN, aiming to make progress implementing the Paris deal. They are due to finish their work on Nov. 18 with a set of rules on how Paris will be implemented.

It would be difficult for Trump to pull out of the Paris accord, which is part of the 1992 UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, which the U.S. ratified under Republican President George H.W. Bush. Trump would have to renounce the 1992 treaty or risk bringing down the entire UN process to scrap Paris. He'd have to give three years of notice to withdraw legally.

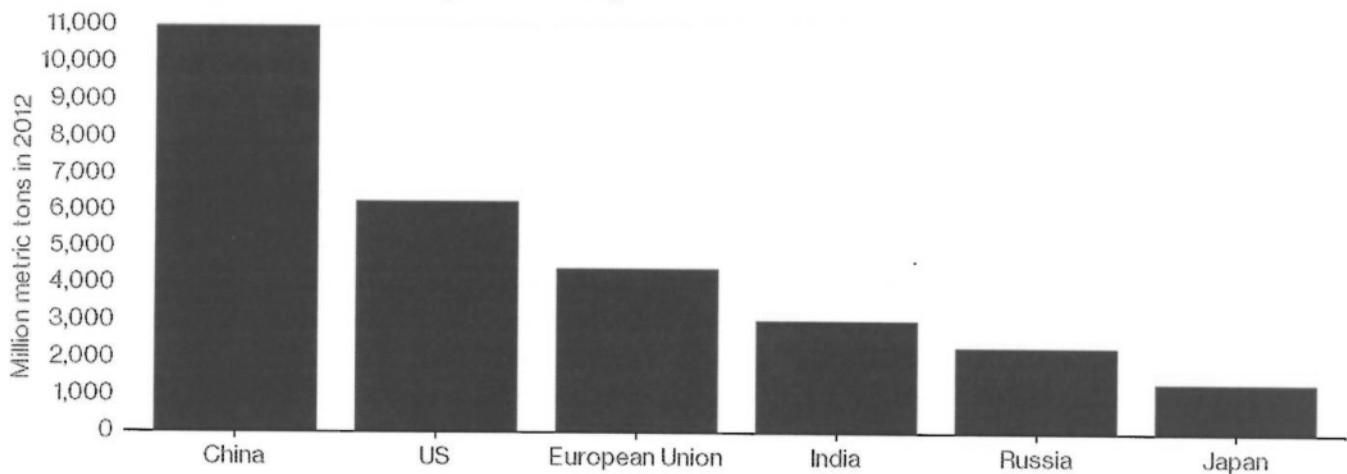
"If the U.S. pulls out of this process and is seen as going as a rogue nation on climate change, that will have implications for everything else on President Trump's agenda when he wants to deal with foreign leaders," Alden Meyer, who has been following the UN talks for more than two decades, said at the organization's annual gathering in Marrakech on Wednesday. "I think he will soon come to understand that."

Doubts about U.S. support for the accord may stall progress in talks in Morocco this week and next, since other nations wouldn't trust that any commitments the U.S. made will stick after Trump takes office. The U.S. is the richest among the top six polluting nations, and its support for the deal is essential to keep China and other developing economies working for cleaner industry.

French Environment Minister Segolene Royal expressed concern about Trump's stance in a posting on Twitter, noting that Obama "ratified and committed" the U.S. to the Paris agreement and there should be "no withdrawal," adding, "Let's stay vigilant for climate."

The Dirty Half-Dozen

The world's top six emitters of greenhouse gases



Source: World Resources Institute

Note: Excludes changes in land use and forestry.

Bloomberg

The Paris deal, which saw 197 countries agree last year to limit global warming to below 2 degrees Celsius (3.6 degrees Fahrenheit) and work toward net zero greenhouse gas emissions, came into force on Nov. 4 after being ratified by almost 100 countries, including the U.S.

While small island states are some of the most vulnerable to climate change, the U.S. is also seeing the impact of extreme weather events. Superstorm Sandy in 2012 caused \$67 billion of damage in the nation, according to the World Meteorological Organization.

"Now the election campaign has passed and the realities of leadership settle in, I expect he will realize that climate change is a threat to his people and to whole countries which share seas with the U.S., including my own," Hilda Heine, president of the Marshall Islands, said by e-mail.


Global markets were thrown into disarray as results from the U.S. poured in. Wind turbine makers led the biggest declines in five months. Vestas Wind Systems A/S dropped 9.7 percent Wednesday after dropping 8.1 percent Tuesday when management announced a bleaker outlook for next year.

A Trump victory could mean “the U.S. won’t be leading the world the way it led under Obama,” Kimiko Hirata, a board member at the Kiko Network, a Kyoto-based environmental group, said by phone.

Added Steyer: “Willful unwillingness to face the situation can’t lead to a good outcome.”

China Watching



See the graphic 

China's top climate envoy, Xie Zhenhua, last week criticized Trump's climate stance, according to Reuters. A joint pact between the world's two biggest producers of carbon emissions announced a year ago was seen as key to the success of the Paris summit.

The U.S. government has vowed to cut emissions by 26 percent to 28 percent in 2025 from 2005 levels. Achieving that goal is likely to be difficult under a Trump administration as the new president won't need approval from Congress to roll back Obama's Clean Power Plan and other key climate policies, said Meyer, who is director of strategy and policy at the Union of Concerned Scientists.

Yet despite Trump's climate skepticism, a growing number of Republican politicians accept the real threat of climate change and its ability to affect the economy, Meyer said in Marrakech.

“The politically savvy politicians understand that they are on the wrong end of history if they continue to preach climate denialism, that younger voters, Hispanics, women and others they need for electoral success will see this as a disqualifying issue if they don't accept the knowledge on climate change,” he said.

Renmin University's Zheng said he's confident China will continue its efforts to curb greenhouse gases even without U.S. coordination.

“The U.S. has joined the Paris agreement and must continue to meet its climate obligations,” Kelly Stone, a climate campaigner at ActionAid, said at the UN talks in Marrakech. “Leaving this important international agreement will damage our credibility and would be a major setback in the fight against climate change.”

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FYI – some of you already receive this. It looks like a good run through of the major us/cad issues

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In case you were wondering the implication of a Trump victory for Canada, our strategy team lays out some of their thoughts [here](#).

Quick recap is that we look for a steepening yield curve, a more dovish Bank of Canada and a weaker Loonie.

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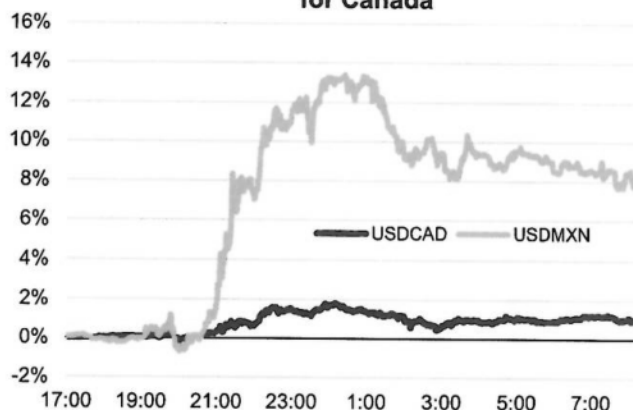
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The victory by Trump and the Republican Party caught markets off-guard after polling models showed the Democrats with a lead heading into the vote. The market reaction was initially swift and harsh, as investors attempted to weigh the implications of a Trump administration, both domestically and abroad, but market mood has stabilized as the day wore on.

The clearest negative implication to the Canadian economy comes from protectionist rhetoric and policies, which we outline below. Importantly, we remain of the view that such a repeal is unlikely. The next concern is US financial conditions and business investment and whether a deterioration in sentiment leads to a moderation or downturn in activity. In the near term, Trump's overall demeanor and set of priorities is likely to guide the market response, and greater focus on protectionism and immigration rather than fiscal easing and tax reform would lead to a more sustained risk-off market response with implications to the Canadian economy and BoC policy.

- NAFTA:** The attack on trade agreements was one of Trump's most popular talking points on the campaign trail. While Mexico attracted the brunt of Trump's criticism (he proposed a blanket 35% tariff on Mexican imports to the US), any new trade restrictions could be shared between Mexico and Canada. We believe that repealing NAFTA completely is a highly unlikely scenario, given the congressional hurdles it would have to pass and the tangible benefit it provides to American manufacturers that rely heavily on the cross-border supply chain. However, there is a material risk that a Trump Administration attempts to renegotiate NAFTA and impose tariffs on select industries. The auto industry stands out as particularly vulnerable, given Trump's attacks on Ford after they announced they would shift some production of compact cars south of the border. Any retaliatory measures would

Market Reaction Implies Less Downside Risk for Canada

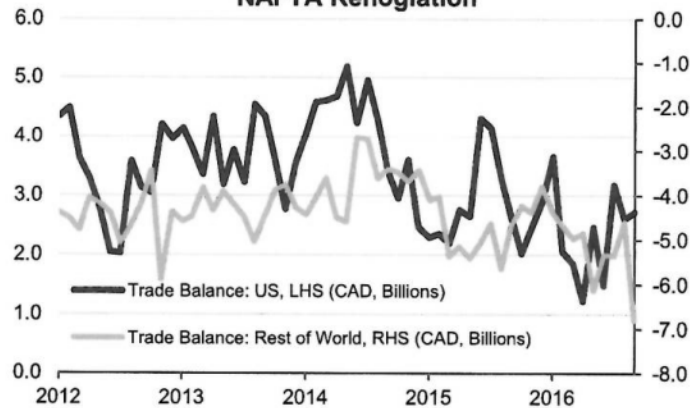


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have a notable impact on Canadian exports, of which motor vehicles make up the largest non-commodity component.

- In the unlikely scenario that the US gravitates towards the nuclear option of scrapping NAFTA altogether, they are required to give Canada and Mexico six months' notice before triggering [Article 2205](#) to back out of the agreement. This gives a short window to start (though likely not finish) negotiations for a new free trade agreement between Canada and the US, such as the one which preceded NAFTA, and Canada and Mexico could continue to abide by NAFTA without US participation. EDC estimates that a repeal of NAFTA with 10% average tariffs would shave 3.9% off Canadian GDP.
- TPP:** The Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) is likely off the table for now, as while a Republican congress would vote in favour, President Trump would override.
- Domestic Policies:** Legislation such as "Buy American" and country of origin labelling (COOL) could lead to home-bias by US consumers. COOL was particularly damaging to Canada's meat industry when the rules were in place over a 6-year period. The Bank of Canada has already expressed caution over "Buy American" policies, which is the most noteworthy concern for export-oriented firms.
- Targeted tariffs:** In general, Trump has been silent on attacking the US-Canada trade partnership. But goods-specific tariffs on key export categories such as autos or lumber could pose a serious challenge to Canadian exports.
- Keystone XL:** There is a small silver lining when it comes to the Keystone XL pipeline, which would carry Canadian

Breaking Down Trade Balance Reveals Risks of NAFTA Renegotiation



Source: Haver Analytics, TD Securities

bitumen to US refineries and help narrow the gap between WCS and WTI oil prices. Trump has publicly endorsed the pipeline, albeit with a caveat that the US receives royalties on transported crude oil, and Prime Minister Trudeau has expressed support for the project as well. With Republicans in control of the White House, Congress and the Senate, approval looks far more likely although there remains opposition from local governments and environmental groups.

Bank of Canada Implications and What to Watch in the Near-term

Expectations of a US recovery have strongly underpinned the Bank of Canada's forecasts in recent quarters, and uncertainty about US growth prospects next year will now greatly weigh on the Governing Council's mind. For now, we hold on to our core expectation that the Bank of Canada will not change policy until early-2019 when they begin to gradually increase rates. But clearly risks have built to the downside, and we outlined a number of these risks in a [recent piece](#). We will monitor a number of key areas over coming weeks as we assess the appropriateness of market pricing and the Bank's next move.

Key to this will be moves in financial conditions. We typically look at oil prices, CAD, and 5-year government bond yields when assessing financial conditions in Canada. Movements in these variables have an important impact on growth and inflation in Canada. On this front:

- Oil prices are flat today so far. But going forward, changes to US environmental policy could support US oil demand, tilting

risks to the upside. This would be good for Canada's energy sector.

- Despite early volatility, USDCAD has remained relatively stable today, rising above 1.35 at one point but currently sitting closer to 1.34. A structural break in the currency caused by (eg) a renegotiation of NAFTA or other protectionist measures would not sit comfortably with the Bank of Canada's narrative of sustained export growth going forward. We see upside risks on USDCAD by year-end relative to our current forecast of 1.35
- It's likely that the BoC's October MPR implicitly included policy divergence in the projection and the decline seen today in expectations for a December Fed hike are likely partly responsible for the slight increase in the chance of a Bank of Canada rate cut and the weaker currency. Long-term bond yields are up in Canada, however, and a sustained increase here would weigh on the Bank's medium-term growth—and thus inflation—projections.

The market reaction, particularly in the US, should be closely watched going forward and will be guided by Trump's overall tone and priorities with respect to policy. Specifically, we will see which parts of his [100 day plan](#) he will prioritize. Will communication focused more on protectionism and immigration vs fiscal easing and tax reform will yield a more sustained risk-off mode with negative growth implications to Canada. A protracted decline in US equity markets would help to gauge the negative effects on US domestic demand while consumer and business surveys are a near-term guide to confidence. Sentiment in the US business sector will be most relevant for Canada, as any signs of a downturn in business investment is a clear negative to Canadian exports. The indicators to watch here are ISM and NFIB surveys and durable goods orders. Finally, the most prominent factor to stay the Fed's hand in December is financial volatility and a deterioration in equity markets in particular. While we have not changed our call for a December rate increase, an on-hold Fed in December will raise the chance of a BoC rate cut.

Ultimately, the Bank of Canada will want to await more clarity on President Trump's plans in office, and if downside risks to growth grow appreciably (both from US and domestic Canadian factors), a January cut to the overnight rate would be appropriate. But given what we have seen and expect at this stage, we would raise our odds for a December cut from the BoC from 20% to 33%, and keep January still below 50%, pending the sustained reactions in CAD and clarity on key US policy issues such as NAFTA.

Implications for Canadian Rates

As always, Canadian rates are taking their cue from Treasuries in the aftermath of the election; markets are pricing in significant future US deficits and a subsequent boost in inflation, and the resulting US bear-steepening is weighing on the Canadian curve. But as much as the sell-off in US 30s has been eye-catching, yields are still ~20 bps short of 2016 highs and 10-year US-Germany yields are still within their 12-month range (albeit at the very top of it). All of which is to say, the global hunt for yield is not yet dead and buried – Treasuries should find support in the next few days, and so too will Government of Canada bonds.

Coming supply could push North American yields out of existing ranges over the medium-term (as could the fallout from a trade war), but for the remainder of 2016, the most important driver will be Fed policy – and although the early verdict in markets has been that US tightening is less likely, the sharp mover higher in TIPS breakevens argues for a hike. If the Fed is able to follow through in December, it would support further steepening CAD 2s10s. The biggest surprise in the Canadian space has been the reaction in the front-end of the curve, insofar as 1 and 2-year rates are little-changed. Markets had already been complacent on the risks around the BoC, and to the extent that US policies become less friendly to trade it will lower the bar to easing in Canada. 2s look cheap at current levels given that balance of risk – which again, supports steeper CAD 2s10s.

FX Implications

The uncertain path of US business investment, dampened Canadian trade prospects and renewed prospects for a BoC rate cut in the coming months are key headwinds for the CAD. Keep in mind, the impact of the US election is a process – not an event. For majors currencies, the crucial issues will center around US fiscal expansion versus trade protectionism. We suspect both issues are negative for CAD. This view reflects the fact that fiscal expansion could amplify the USD rally, leading to a further divergence between the Fed and BoC. On the trade side, disruption of trade relations between the US and Canada would accelerate the structural issues plaguing CAD. All told, our bias is to expect further CAD weakness and we look to add on dips towards 1.3370/3400. The overnight high of 1.3525 provides an initial target ahead of 1.3650.

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The following note from Luc Vallee at Laurentian does a good summary of some the headline issues from a Canadian perspective (with his opinions interspersed).

Certainly more details and developments with regards to Trump's plans of action (not just words) are needed for the markets to find a footing here and establish new ranges and direction. I expect that the market participants take this long weekend to digest and re-strategize.

I will selectively circulate more detailed analysis as it arrives.

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U.S. Historic Election Upset: A Donald Trump Surprised Victory

In a historic upset, Donald Trump won the American presidential election last night. All ears and eyes will now be focused on his words and actions over the next few weeks. To quell the uncertainty that his surprised victory is casting over the economy and the markets, early indications of what President Trump intends to do over the next few years will be crucial to avoiding a recession or a financial crisis. Investment needs to grow and credit to flow in order for the economy to prosper both in the U.S. and globally. This is not difficult to figure out; more difficult will be to identify what a credible path of actions should be to keep the confidence of consumers, businesses and investors. The U.S. equity markets, after dropping more than 5% last night, recovered this morning in the hope that M. Trump will prove more reasonable and structured than anticipated.

Observers may expect that Donald Trump will back down from some of his wild promises and that Congress won't let President Trump act on some of them. However, we are of the contrarian view that Donald Trump would lose credibility and that his presidency would be less effective if he does not stick to his guns. However, this does not necessarily mean that this is negative for the markets in the short-run.

Donald Trump's emphasis on the need to rebuild American infrastructure in his victory speech implies that Republican leaders in Congress will have to accept large fiscal deficits for the foreseeable future. In particular, Paul Ryan who could remain the House leader, as Republicans retained control of both Chambers of Congress last night, will have to sit with the President and accept that Donald Trump's economic program will trump Republican ideology of small government and balanced budgets. If the Republican controlled Congress cannot accommodate M. Trump, the President won't hesitate to replace M. Ryan or find allies across the aisle. Reforming Obamacare, as opposed to repealing it, will also be a Trump priority.

Combined with promised tax cuts, the federal deficit will thus likely remain substantial, therefore increasing upward pressures on long-term U.S. and global interest rates. The renewed uncertainty caused by the U.S. elections outcome has however immediately diminished the odds of a modest increase in the Federal Reserve's policy rate before year-end, increasing the steepness of the yield curve. This being said, if uncertainty settles relatively quickly, the Federal Reserve may still find it appropriate to raise rates at its December 14th meeting. Moreover, market expectations of a higher path for the U.S. policy rate may also arise if the combination of tax cuts and infrastructure spending is effective at boosting the outlook for growth and inflation in 2017 and beyond.

The question of climate change will be trickier to tackle as M. Trump's pro-business stance may conflict with the harsh reality that the risks related to the climate are increasingly being recognised as being real and that backtracking on the process could be too costly on the international scene. We believe that President Trump will push for the Keystone pipeline and drag his feet on the issue of green-house gas emissions in order to help oil and coal producers. Keeping his elections promises while not definitely and totally back-out of recent international climate agreements will require some juggling, at which he has shown ability. Elsewhere, promises of deregulation, especially in the financial sector, cutting waste in government spending and tax reforms may also bring benefits if they can be achieved. This is a big question mark given the need for lengthy negotiations in Congress and M. Trump's distaste for details.

On the wall with Mexico, we suspect that Donald Trump will insist that Mexican authorities efficiently patrol their boarder at their own expenses to prevent Mexicans from crossing illegally into the United States. M. Trump will use the leverage of the NAFTA agreement to extract this concession and then move on. For Canada, the threat of NAFTA renegotiations will probably have insignificant effects as there is no real ground to renegotiate the agreement with Canada. Our exports to the

U.S. being 30% commodity related, higher U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods would only make American businesses less competitive. Moreover, the threat of retaliation of Canadian tariffs should be enough to convince M. Trump to limit his rhetoric. Tariffs on softwood lumber may be the price Canadians will pay to save appearances. We expect the Canadian dollar to retract in the short-run and regain some footing if M. Trump is able to convince Congress to accept large fiscal deficits which in the end would benefit Canadian exports.

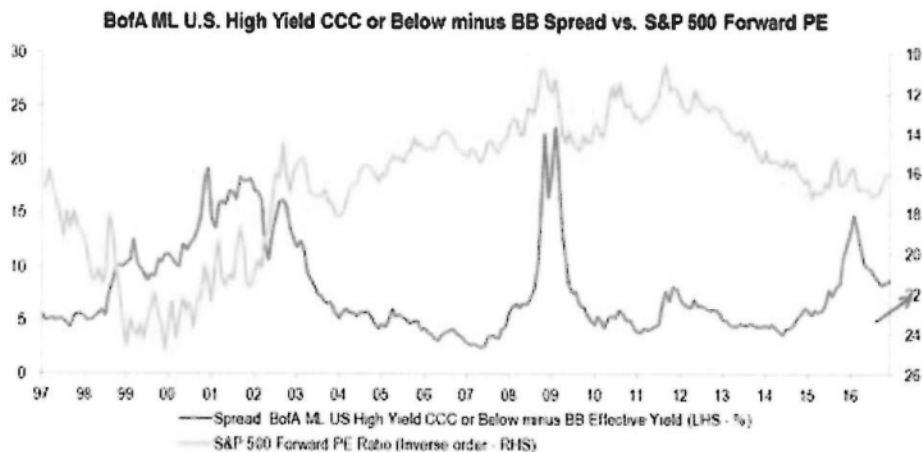
On the question of illegal immigration, we think that the process of deportation is actually going to take place. But it will happen over a long period of time in exchange for a quicker path to citizenship or temporary legal residency for these illegal aliens; a compromise that everyone has been trying to achieve for years.

Yet, the undoing of M. Trump could be caused by his unpredictable and feisty character. This might not be visible for a while. Overtime, however, as M. Trump loses interest in building bridges with his allies and increasingly responds to the provocations of his enemies, things may get complicated for his presidency. This will be particularly true in Congress but also on the international scene where his anti-trade positions are today negatively affecting the equity valuation of companies involved in international trade. His temptation to bend China to his will on trade, for example, may provoke the Chinese to seek other alliances – with Russia for instance - and compromise American geopolitical influence globally. To win this battle may prove harder than to beat Hillary Clinton last night.

Although we wish M. Trump the best of luck and certainly hope that he will succeed, our impression, until we can be convinced otherwise, remains that his apparent lack of knowledge and competence and his inability to listen to sound advice will likely prove to be a disaster in the long run for the US economy and for the world. The presidency of M. Trump could thus mark the end of the world as we know it and spell the decline of the U.S. dominance in the world.

A risk-off event to global financial markets

Donald Trump's surprise win last night should lead to heightened uncertainties over future U.S. economic policies and result in rising market volatility in the near-term. The key question now for investors is if this rising uncertainty will also lead to a tightening in financial conditions and hurt both consumer and business confidence. First, a tightening in financial conditions would be detrimental to global equities and result in a contraction of valuation multiples, hence putting downside pressure on stocks over the near term (see the chart below). According to the October 2016 Senior Loan Officer Opinion Survey, a positive net percentage of banks continued to tighten lending standards for commercial and industrial loans to large and medium-size firms during the third quarter, albeit at a lesser degree than during the previous four quarters. A renewed acceleration in the tightening pace of lending standards for C&I loans could lead to downside risks to the global economy.



Source: LBS Economic Research & Strategy, Thomson Reuters, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis



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Moreover, rising expectations for a large and permanent increase in future U.S. fiscal deficit and the threat of increasing trade barriers - such as imposing a 45% tariff on goods from China - already pushed inflation expectations and bond yields higher this morning (see the chart below). A rapid rise in bond yields could choke economic growth considering the already elevated level of federal and corporate debt, hence adding further downside pressure on price multiples and earnings expectations. All in all, this is a risk-off event to global financial markets.



For investors bearish on the long-term prospects of the American economy given the rather unorthodox policies of M. Trump, the relief rally of this morning might constitute an opportunity to exit the market and wait for a better entry-point if the uncertainty concerning his intentions and his plan of action abates later this year or early next year.

Canada: potential short-term aftershock and long-term threat to economic growth

In the short-run, the increased level of uncertainty triggered by the Trump presidential victory could restrain investments by Canadian companies –notably exporters– and push consumers to delay major purchases. Ultimately, a hit to Canadian consumer and business confidence is more likely to occur due to the Trump Victory than in the aftermath of the Brexit given our strong trade ties with the U.S. Consequently, a Trump-induced anxiety at home has the potentially to weigh heavily on Canadian economic activity in the coming months (real GDP growth was already expected to be soft under the hypothesis of a Clinton victory).

Also, it remains to be seen if the U.S. elections outcome will have negative repercussions on Canadian financial conditions. During the last few hours, long-term Canadian interest rates have moved up in lockstep with the U.S. rates. If this trend continues, this would become an unwelcomed headwind to our highly-leveraged Canadian economy. Under such a negative scenario, the Bank of Canada would likely respond with a bold move that could include more than a simple policy rate cut.

In the long-run, a Trump administration has the potential to alter the way bilateral trade is done between both countries (Canada sends three-quarters of its exports to the U.S.). Clarifications on how the new U.S. President intends to renegotiate NAFTA will be key, as it will determine to what extent the current 1.5% potential growth rate of the Canadian economy could be altered. Under the worst case scenario of a broad-based tariff plan on all U.S. imports or a



reinforcement of Buy American policies, Canadian exports would fall significantly and several workers would lose their jobs. The good news is that most of Donald Trump's protectionism remarks are oriented towards Mexico and China, not Canada. Also, Trump favours the construction of the Keystone pipeline from Alberta, a favourable development for the Canadian oil sector looking for a much needed access to the global oil markets. Furthermore, Canadian companies involved in the commodities, machinery and transportation sectors could reap some benefits from the Trump's plan to spend \$500B more on infrastructure.

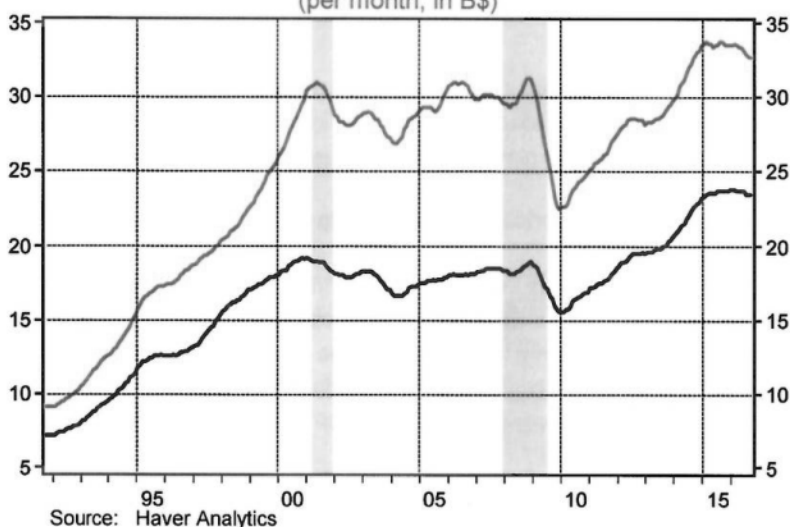
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Canadian Nominal Imports from the U.S. (per month, in B\$)

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Hi, wondering about whether we should have reference to the s.12,s.13 on slide (impacts of US election) plus slide 18 as slide 18 assumes s.12,s.13 Or MMP could speak to this.
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Hi Paul, this has been approved by Fazil. There may be further changes needed as a result of Friday's meetings – I will either send an updated ppt EOD Friday, or first thing Monday, or they will be walked in on Tuesday.

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Les MacPherson: Canada will have to miss climate targets without Donald Trump's help

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Among those most distressed by the ascendancy of American president-elect Donald Trump are the climate alarmists.

Trump has said he will cancel U.S. participation in the Paris climate agreement. What difference that makes is not clear since other countries, Canada included, can't begin to meet the agreement's carbon emission targets. It's all moonbeams and fairy dust, just like the pies-in-the-sky Copenhagen Accord of 2009 and Kyoto Protocol of 2002. Politicians, bureaucrats and climate scientists all get together at great public expense to produce these monumental agreements, one after another, but never with any idea of how to impose the calamitous remedies they prescribe.

Consider, for instance, Canada's obligations under the Paris agreement. We are expected by 2030 to reduce carbon emissions by a third. That means reducing our fossil fuel consumption by a third within 14 years. That's not going to happen without reducing Canada to something like Dr. Zhivago's Moscow, after the revolution, where poor Tanya has only enough firewood to light the stove just before Yuri arrives home from work on the horse-drawn trolley. Anyone who tells you otherwise is selling sunbeams extracted from cucumbers.

We don't even have a plan to make this most fundamental change, ever, to our way of life. Justin Trudeau's national carbon tax certainly will generate government revenues but it won't significantly reduce carbon emissions. We don't need to guess. We already have run the experiment. British Columbia in 2008 famously imposed a carbon tax amounting to seven cents on a litre of gasoline. Even so, the province's carbon emissions still are increasing by about two per cent a year. People there are just eating the carbon tax and using as much fuel as ever because, to survive and make a living in this vast, cold country, they have to.

B.C.'s carbon emissions are expected to increase even faster after the planned expansion of its natural gas export industry. The province has responded by pushing its delusional emission targets ever further into the distant future, and yet it still is praised as a climate leader. What kind of climate nuthouse is this when moving backwards, away from the stated objective, passes for enlightened leadership?

Canada's emissions likewise will resist a carbon tax. Are you going to reduce travel by a third? Are you going to wind down the thermostat in your family home that already is chilly in January? Are you going to install solar panels and then get up on the roof with a shovel when they're buried under a foot of snow? Probably not, I am guessing. It's easier just to pay the stupid carbon tax and make economies elsewhere on things not essential to surviving in Canada.

Reducing existing demand for fossil fuels is hard enough. If we want our kids to have a future, we also must accommodate increased demand from new businesses and new homes. The

affordable, reliable energy required for economic growth simply is incompatible with reducing fossil fuel consumption by a third. And don't expect solar panels and windmills to make up the difference. Available for decades now, these most fashionable of energy sources still contribute less than two per cent to Canada's total energy consumption, and not because they are affordable or reliable.

Consider as well the governing Liberals' plan to annually welcome 300,000 immigrants into the country. These immigrants all will need homes and jobs and education and transportation, with demands for fossil fuel equivalent to adding a city the size of Saskatoon to the mix, every year. How are all these thousands of new homes to be heated and new jobs fuelled and new Canadians moved to and from while we reduce carbon emissions by a third? Short of telling them, sorry, no heat for you, it isn't going to happen.

Perversely, at least in terms of climate, Canada's immigration policies are bringing people from poor countries where carbon emissions are low to where they are the highest in the world. We're fine with that, immigrants are saying. They seem to prefer fossil-fuelled prosperity to poverty with lower carbon emissions and the prospect of a somewhat warmer climate.

So does Donald Trump. He dismisses the Paris climate agreement as worthless. Of course, that's what critics said, too, of the Kyoto and Copenhagen agreements, and they were absolutely right.

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Silicon Valley Reels After Trump's Election

Farhad Manjoo

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Silicon Valley's luminaries woke up Wednesday morning to a darkened new global order, one that the ceaseless optimism of their tech-powered visions seemed suddenly unable to conquer.

Across the technology industry, the reaction to Donald J. Trump's election to the presidency was beyond grim. There was a sense that the industry had missed something fundamental about the fears and motivations of the people who use its products, and that the miscalculation would cost the industry, and the world, greatly.

"The horror, the horror," said Shervin Pishevar, a venture capitalist at the firm Sherpa Capital who, like just about every leading light in tech, had strongly supported Hillary Clinton's candidacy. "We didn't do enough," he added. "There were too many people in the tech industry who were complacent. They waited and waited and waited to get engaged in this election. And now we have this nightmare."

Others were more succinct in their devastation. "I'm heartbroken," said Stewart

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For some, buried in the visceral reaction was also a realization that the tech industry's relationship with government — not to mention the public — looks bound to shift in a fundamental way.

During the Obama years, Silicon Valley came to see itself as the economic and social engine of a new digital century. Smartphones and social networks became as important to world business as oil and the automobile, and Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Google and Microsoft rose to become some of the most prosperous and valuable companies on the planet.

Mr. Obama, who rode many of these digital tools to the presidency, was accommodative of their rise; his administration broadly deferred to the tech industry in a way that bordered on coziness, and many of his former lieutenants have decamped to positions in tech.

Mr. Trump's win promises to rip apart that relationship. The incoming president had few kind words for tech giants during the interminable campaign that led to his victory. Mr. Trump promised to initiate antitrust actions against Amazon, repeatedly vowed to force Apple to make its products in the United States, and then called for a boycott of the company when it challenged the government's order to unlock a terrorist's iPhone. Mr. Trump's immigration plans are anathema to just about every company in tech.

Amazon, Apple, Facebook, Google and Microsoft offered no immediate comment about Mr. Trump's win, or how the new administration's stated policy goals would affect their businesses.

But it seems clear that a shift is in the offing. Leaders of these behemoths have long spoken in ambitious, gauzy sentimentalities about a broadly progressive future. Their goals weren't simply financial but, they said, philosophical and democratic — they wanted to make money, sure, but they also wanted to make the world a better place, to offer a kind of social justice through code. Theirs was a tomorrow powered by software instead of factories, and offering a kind of radical connectivity that they promised would lead to widespread peace and prosperity.

Last year, Sundar Pichai, Google's chief executive, published a broad rebuke of Mr. Trump's plan to ban Muslims from immigrating to the United States. Mark Zuckerberg, Facebook's co-founder and chief executive, told an audience of developers in April that "instead of building walls, we can help people build bridges."

In private, during the campaign, many tech leaders were positive that their vision would prevail over Mr. Trump's. When asked about whether they were preparing in any way for a Trump victory, bigwigs at many of the industry's leading tech and financial firms were bemused by the notion. They thought it would never happen.

The deeper worry is that tech is out of step with the national and global mood, and failed to recognize the social and economic anxieties roiling the nation — many of them hastened by the products the industry devises.

Among techies, there is now widespread concern that Facebook and Twitter have hastened the decline of journalism and the irrelevance of facts. Social networks seem also to have contributed to a rise in the kind of trolling, racism and misogyny that characterized so much of Mr. Trump's campaign.

And then you get to the economic problems. Unlike previous economic miracles, the tech boom has not led to widespread employment. Much of the wealth generated by the five biggest American tech companies flows to young liberals in California and the Pacific Northwest, exactly the sort of "global elites" Mr. Trump railed against in his campaign.

It's not clear that most Americans see technological progress as the unalloyed good that it is considered in Silicon Valley. Technology has pushed so deeply into people's lives, changing how they work and go to school and raise their children, that it could well raise more fears than hopes. A new smartphone is nice, but perhaps not if it means that your trucking job will be replaced by a big rig that drives itself.

"We need to figure out how to connect more Americans to the economic engine of technology," said John Lilly, a partner at the venture capital firm Greylock Partners.

On Wednesday, some in Silicon Valley worried about their disconnection from the mass of voters who chose Mr. Trump.

“In tech, we need scale, so we look at the world through the lens of aggregate metrics like page views, active users and even revenue,” Danielle Morrill, the chief executive of a start-up called Mattermark, wrote in an email. “But that doesn’t mean we understand the people on the other side of the screen as individuals. That’s the danger, and the opportunity.”

Still, some people in tech said that despite their heartache over the outcome, they felt renewed inspiration to take bolder action to realize their progressive visions. Some made very big, idealistic proposals — this being, after all, the land of disruption. On Twitter, for instance, Mr. Pishevar said he would fund a campaign to get California to secede from the nation.

Others weren’t as high-flying, but were nevertheless resolute.

Aaron Levie, the chief executive of Box, an online document storage company, suggested that the tech industry promote specific policy issues.

“To shift to an economy driven by innovation from tech-enabled businesses, we need to get ahead on the issues we’ve been talking about in Silicon Valley for years, like education, patent reform and immigration reform,” he said. “By and large, minus taxes and some tax repatriation issues, much about Trump’s rhetoric has been antithetical to most of the big businesses that are driving the economy.”

Mark Suster, a venture capitalist at Upfront Ventures, echoed the idea.

“Tech needs to take a deep breath, and then reflect on how this happened,” he said. “And have policy proposals that can realistically address the inequality in our country.”

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Athana,

As per the brief discussion yesterday at the risk committee overview, please note the attached update on the vision of "Trump-o-nomics". Instead of highlighting the perceived impact of newly elected President Trump on global market tone, I am providing a different perspective.

The attached note is intended to focus on Trumps' policy platform, including his vision and citations on the main sectors (such as economy, regulation, trade, energy, etc..) and the possible contagion effect on the capital markets and potential impact to the Province of BC's future debt issuance and derivative trading activities.

Any questions let me know.

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President Donald Trump – Policy Platform Review

BC PROVINCIAL TREASURY DEBT MANAGEMENT BRANCH MEMO

November 14th 2016

BACKGROUND

Republican candidate Donald Trump was elected as the 45th president of the United States on November 8th 2016, defeating Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton. Trump secured 279 Electoral College votes (Clinton 228) to win the election, although Clinton captured the popular vote by winning 60.1 million vs. Trump's 59.8 million votes. Trump will take office on January 20th 2017.

This memo highlights elements of the Republican Party's policy platform as well as points of emphasis by President Trump that may have relevance to the future market tone, potentially impacting the Province of British Columbia's future debt issuance and derivatives trading activities.

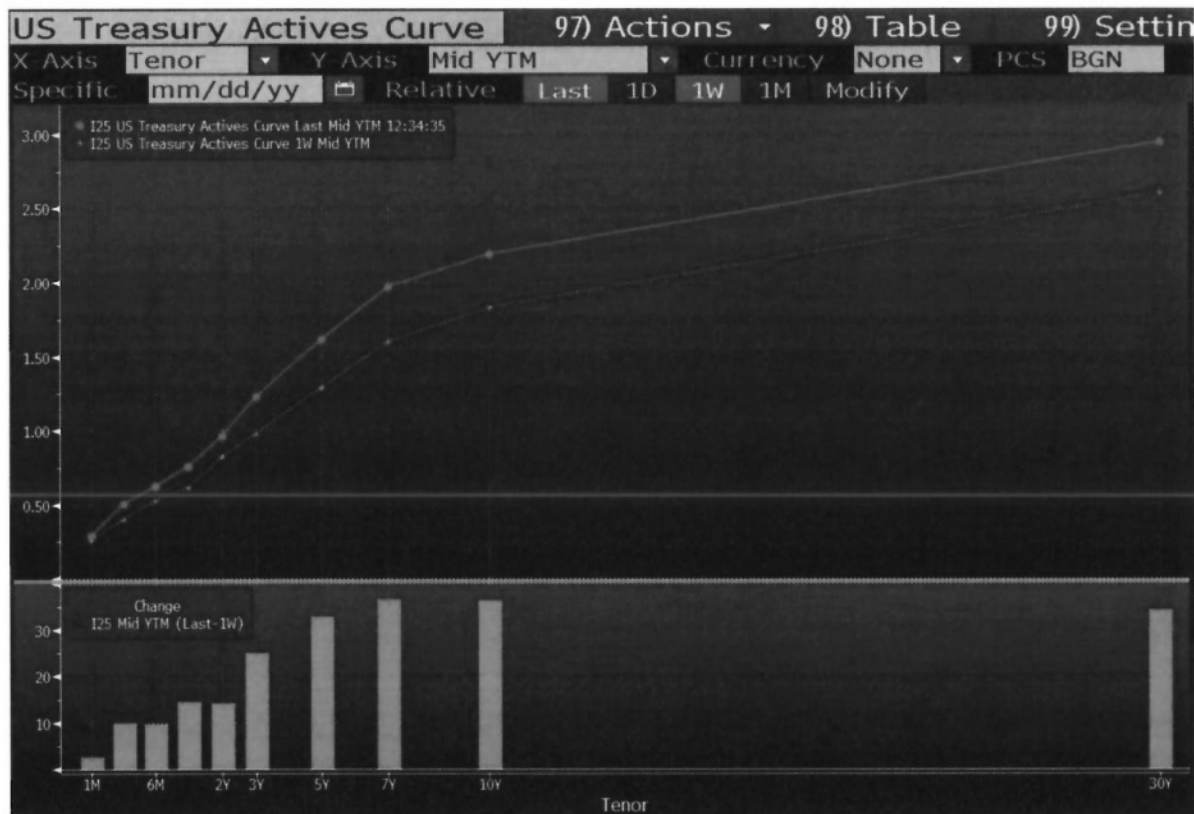
ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Now that the election results are known, a key question being asked is *what will happen to the US economy?* The feared "panic reaction" in the markets espoused by some commentators didn't materialize following Trump's victory. Instead, the Standard and Poor's 500 Index increased ~4%, Treasury bond yields increased by ~40 basis points (>7yr issues), and measures of volatility fell.¹

Standard & Poor's 500 Index, Nov 4-14 2016 (Source: Bloomberg)



US Treasury Curve: Nov 14 vs Nov 7th 2016 (Source: Bloomberg)



The challenge for analysts is that Trump has made impassioned comments about inflationary spending policies and executing sweeping regulatory and policy changes but has offered little practical detail, especially as it pertains to financial regulation reform. Despite Trump's pointedness about repealing Dodd-Frank, NAFTA and the US's commitments to reduced emissions under the Paris Agreement, these are not actions he can take unilaterally or immediately. This affords opportunity for these potential changes to unfold in a more measured way than his brash campaign statements might signal would be the case. Potential legislative change aside however, it is expected that Trump will appoint "less aggressive" leaders to agencies like the Federal Reserve and Securities and Exchange Commission, achieving some of his goals through weakened regulatory enforcement.²

As for market reaction, Trump has made statements that could drive opposing effects on market behaviour and economic growth. Lower taxes on businesses, increased spending on infrastructure and defense and a relaxation of environmental and financial regulations are expected heat up the economy and expand market-making activity. But Trump has also made potentially contractionary comments about increasing interest rates and imposing limits on international trade and immigration.

Trump has also expressed overt criticism of Wall Street and the hedge fund industry for taking advantage of tax loopholes and generating profits in ways that he says have harmfully extracted

wealth from Americans. Yet his current economic advisory council draws heavily on financial industry executives associated with the strategies he has chastised in his campaign, including Steven Feinberg, John Paulson, Harold Hamm, Andy Beal, Tom Barrack, and Steven Mnuchin. His fervour against Wall Street is not necessarily resulting in contractionary expectations, possibly because the foundation of his thinking follows traditional republican approaches that could be seen as net expansionary.

The overall 'net effect' of Trump's proposed changes on market tone is a matter of debate among analysts, and this uncertainty is intensified by the potential for radical change related to social policies, immigration, international relations, trade, and military composition that could feed into economic activity in unexpected ways.

While it is premature to articulate a detailed economic outlook for Trump's campaign, market behavior in the days following the election points to a net-positive outlook in terms of economic growth. The New York Times reported: "Essentially, markets are signalling that investors think the Trump administration will follow through more completely on the plans that are positives for growth profits and will be more cautious on those policies that are negatives."³

For the province of British Columbia, inflationary pressures and associated increases in long term interest rates are expected to drive more costly borrowing in the near future while market access remains stable.

Relevant excerpts from Trump's policy platform are included in the Appendix.

APPENDIX:

TRUMP POLICY PLATFORM EXCERPTS

The following excerpts were selected due to their potential relevance to economic and market activity impacting the Province of British Columbia's future debt issues and derivatives activity.

Trump's platform was organized by topic area, and includes visionary statements as well as supporting citations/issues statements. Relevant excerpts were included below. The full policy platform is available online (<https://www.donaldjtrump.com/policies>) and in PDF format from the Debt Management Branch. All content was copied from the above website on 11/11/2014.

Economy

Trump's Vision:

- Create a dynamic booming economy that will create 25 million new jobs over the next decade.
- For each 1 percent in added GDP growth, the economy adds 1.2 million jobs. Increasing growth by 1.5 percent would result in 18 million jobs (1.5 million times 1.2 million, multiplied by 10 years) above the projected current law job figures of 7 million, producing a total of 25 million new jobs for the American economy.
- Reform policies with a pro-growth tax plan, a new modern regulatory framework, an America-First trade policy, an unleashed American energy plan, and the "penny plan."
- Boost growth to 3.5 percent per year on average, with the potential to reach a 4 percent growth rate.

Trump's Citations on the US Economy:

- Over the last seven years, 14 million more people have left the labor force.
- The lowest labor force participation rate since the 1970s.
- 1 in 5 American households do not have a single family member in the labor force.
- 23.7 million Americans in their prime-earning years [ages 25-54] are out of the labor force – an increase of 1.8 million over the last seven years.
- Real GDP grew only 1.1% in the second quarter of this year. Over the last seven years, real GDP grew 2.1% the slowest seven-year period since at least the 1940s.
- It's the weakest so-called recovery since the Great Depression.
- Hourly earnings and weakly earnings are lower today than they were in 1973.
- The number of Americans on Food Stamps during Obama's time in office has increased by more than 12 million.
- 2 million more Latinos are in poverty today than when President Obama took his oath of office less than eight years ago.
- 45% of African-American children under 6 are living in poverty.
- 1 in 6 American men between the ages of 18-34 are either in jail or out of work.
- Student loan debt exceeds \$1.3 trillion — nearly doubling under the Obama administration.
- Since President Obama took office, the national debt has doubled.

- U.S. trade deficit in goods reached nearly 800 billion dollars last year alone.
- The U.S. homeownership rate fell to 62.9 percent in the second quarter – the lowest rate in 51 years.

Note: Although not part of the official policy platform, Trump has made strong statements about the “danger” of low interest rates, claiming that they can distort markets and inflate asset prices.⁴ This has produced recent speculation among analysts as to whether Trump will replace Janet Yellen, Chairwoman of the Federal Reserve. Moreover, it has been tied to increases in bond yields post-election.

Regulations

Trump’s Vision:

- Ask all Department heads to submit a list of every wasteful and unnecessary regulation which kills jobs, and which does not improve public safety, and eliminate them.
- Reform the entire regulatory code to ensure that we keep jobs and wealth in America.
- End the radical regulations that force jobs out of our communities and inner cities. We will stop punishing Americans for working and doing business in the United States.
- Issue a temporary moratorium on new agency regulations that are not compelled by Congress or public safety in order to give our American companies the certainty they need to reinvest in our community, get cash off of the sidelines, start hiring again, and expanding businesses. We will no longer regulate our companies and our jobs out of existence.
- Cancel immediately all illegal and overreaching executive orders.
- Eliminate our most intrusive regulations, like the Waters of The U.S. Rule. We will also scrap the EPA’s so-called Clean Power Plan which the government estimates will cost \$7.2 billion a year.
- Decrease the size of our already bloated government after a thorough agency review.

Trump’s Citations:

- Every year, over-regulation costs our economy \$2 trillion dollars a year and reduces household wealth by almost \$15,000 dollars. [Donald J. Trump Press Release, Sept. 15, 2016]
- President Obama has issued close to four hundred new major regulations since taking office, each with a cost to the American economy of \$100 million or more. [The Wall Street Journal, April 7, 2016]
- In 2015 alone, federal agencies issued over 3,300 final rules and regulations, up from 2,400 the prior year. [Donald J. Trump Press Release, Sept. 15, 2016]
- The U.S. economy today is twenty-five percent smaller than it would have been without the surge of regulations since 1980. [Mercatus Center, April 26, 2016]
- The federal register is now over 80,000 pages long. [Office of the Federal Register, Dec. 31, 2015]

Trade

Trump's Vision:

- Negotiate fair trade deals that create American jobs, increase American wages, and reduce America's trade deficit.
- Withdraw from the Trans-Pacific Partnership, which has not yet been ratified.
- Appoint tough and smart trade negotiators to fight on behalf of American workers.
- Direct the Secretary of Commerce to identify every violation of trade agreements a foreign country is currently using to harm our workers, and also direct all appropriate agencies to use every tool under American and international law to end these abuses.
- Tell NAFTA partners that we intend to immediately renegotiate the terms of that agreement to get a better deal for our workers. If they don't agree to a renegotiation, we will submit notice that the U.S. intends to withdraw from the deal. Eliminate Mexico's one-side backdoor tariff through the VAT and end sweatshops in Mexico that undercut U.S. workers.
- Instruct the Treasury Secretary to label China a currency manipulator.
- Instruct the U.S. Trade Representative to bring trade cases against China, both in this country and at the WTO. China's unfair subsidy behavior is prohibited by the terms of its entrance to the WTO.
- Use every lawful presidential power to remedy trade disputes if China does not stop its illegal activities, including its theft of American trade secrets - including the application of tariffs consistent with Section 201 and 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 and Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962.

Trump's Citations:

- America has lost nearly one-third of its manufacturing jobs since NAFTA and 50,000 factories since China joined the World Trade Organization. [Economic Policy Institute, April 23, 2015]
- President Obama predicted that the trade deal with South Korea would increase our exports to South Korea by more than \$10 billion – resulting in some 70,000 jobs. It has killed nearly 100,000. Our exports to South Korea haven't increased at all, but their imports to us have surged more than \$15 billion – more than doubling our trade deficit with that country. [The White House], [Economic Policy Institute, May 5, 2016.
- Our annual trade deficit in goods with Mexico has risen from close to zero in 1993 to almost \$60 billion. Our total trade deficit in goods hit nearly \$800 billion last year. China is responsible for nearly half of our entire trade deficit. Almost half of our entire manufacturing trade deficit in goods with the world is the result of trade with China. [United States Census Bureau]
- The U.S. trade deficit with the proposed TPP member countries cost over 2 million jobs in 2015. By far the biggest losses occurred in motor vehicles and parts, which lost nearly 740,000 manufacturing jobs. Imagine how many more jobs would be lost if the Trans-Pacific Partnership was actually approved. [Economic Policy Institute, March 3, 2016]

- The Trans-Pacific Partnership will undermine our economy, and it will undermine our independence
 - The TPP creates a new international commission that makes decisions the American people can't veto, making it easier for our trading competitors to ship cheap subsidized goods into U.S. markets - while allowing foreign countries to continue putting barriers in front of our exports.
 - The TPP lowers tariffs on foreign cars, while leaving in place the foreign practices that keep American cars from being sold overseas. The TPP even creates a backdoor for China to supply car parts for automobiles made in Mexico.
- According to the U.S. International Trade Commission, improved protection of America's intellectual property in China would produce more than 2 million more jobs right here in the United States. [The Commission On The Theft Of American Intellectual Property, May 2013]

Tax Plan

Trump's Vision:

- Reduce taxes across-the-board, especially for working and middle-income Americans.
 - The plan will collapse the current seven tax brackets into three for Married-Joint filers (single filers are ½ these amounts):
 - Less than \$75K, 12%
 - Between \$75K and under \$225K, 25%
 - Above \$225K, 33%
 - Lower business tax rate from 35% to 15% and eliminate the corporate alternative minimum tax. This rate will apply to all business (small and large).
 - Eliminate corporate tax expenditures except for the Research and Development credit.
 - Businesses that pay a portion of an employee's childcare expenses can exclude those contributions from income.
- Ensure the rich will "pay their fair share, but no one will pay so much that it destroys jobs our undermines our ability to compete."
- Firms engaged in manufacturing in the US may elect to expense capital investment and lose the deductibility of corporate interest expense.
- Retain the existing capital gains rate structure (max rate 20%). Carried interest to be taxed as ordinary income.
- The 3.8% Obamacare tax on investment income will be repealed, as will the alternative minimum tax.
- Provide a deemed repatriation of corporate profits held offshore at a one-time tax rate of 10%.
- Repeal the death tax (but capital gains held until death and valued over \$10M will be subject to tax).
- Eliminate special interest loopholes

- Reduce the cost of childcare by allowing families to fully deduct the average cost of childcare from their taxes, including stay-at-home parents
- Parents who earn less than \$500K (joint) or \$250K (single) and who have children under age 13 will be able to take an “above-the-line” deduction. *[There are a number of other more specific childcare related rebates and options indicated as well].*

Infrastructure

Trump’s Vision:

- Create thousands of new jobs in construction, steel manufacturing, and other sectors to build the transportation, water, telecommunications and energy infrastructure needed to enable new economic development in the US, all of which will generate new tax revenues.
- Put American steel made by American workers into the backbone of America’s infrastructure.
- Implement a bold, visionary plan for a cost-effective system of roads, bridges, tunnels, airports, railroads, ports and waterways, and pipelines in the proud tradition of President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who championed the interstate highway system.
- Approve private sector energy infrastructure projects—including pipelines and coal export facilities—to better connect American coal and shale energy production with markets and consumers.

Trump’s Citations:

- According to the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), without major improvements to our transportation systems, “the United States will lose more than 2.5 million jobs by 2025” (NAM, Build To Win, 2016). NAM estimates a “ten-year funding gap” of approximately \$1 trillion. The Trump Infrastructure Plan is aimed at achieving a target of investment to fill this gap. NAM also found that \$8 billion in infrastructure tax credits would support \$226 billion in infrastructure investment over 10 years. Innovative financing programs also provide a 10-to-1 return on investment.
- According to the Wall Street Journal, “more than a dozen [energy infrastructure] projects, worth about \$33 billion, have been either rejected by regulators or withdrawn by developers since 2012, with billions more tied up in projects still in regulatory limbo.” This includes coal and shale energy export facilities. Major pipelines are being blocked as well. As noted in the Wall Street Journal, blocking such projects “leaves some communities without access to lower-cost fuel and higher-paying jobs.”

National Defense

Trump’s Vision:

- Work with Congress to fully repeal the defense sequester and submit a new budget to “rebuild our depleted military.”
- Increase the size of the US Army to 540,000 active duty soldiers. Rebuild the US Navy toward a goal of 350 ships. Provide the US Air Force with 1,200 fighter aircraft. Grow the US

Marine Corps to 36 battalions. Invest in a serious missile defense system to meet growing threats.

- Emphasize cyber warfare and require a comprehensive review from the Joint Chiefs of Staff and all relevant federal agencies to identify cyber vulnerabilities, protect vital infrastructure, and create a state-of-the-art cyber defense and offense
- Conduct a full audit of the Pentagon, eliminating incorrect payments, reducing duplicative bureaucracy, collecting unpaid taxes, and ending unwanted and unauthorized federal programs.

Energy

Trump's Vision:

- Make America energy independent, create millions of new jobs, and protect clean air and clean water. We will conserve our natural habitats, reserves and resources. We will unleash an energy revolution that will bring vast new wealth to our country.
- Declare American energy dominance a strategic economic and foreign policy goal of the United States.
- Unleash America's \$50 trillion in untapped shale, oil, and natural gas reserves, plus hundreds of years in clean coal reserves.
- Become, and stay, totally independent of any need to import energy from the OPEC cartel or any nations hostile to our interests.
- Open onshore and offshore leasing on federal lands, eliminate moratorium on coal leasing, and open shale energy deposits.
- Encourage the use of natural gas and other American energy resources that will both reduce emissions but also reduce the price of energy and increase our economic output.
- Rescind all job-destroying Obama executive actions. Mr. Trump will reduce and eliminate all barriers to responsible energy production, creating at least a half million jobs a year, \$30 billion in higher wages, and cheaper energy.

Trump's Citations:

- Energy costs the average American household \$5,000 per year. As a percentage of income, the cost is greater for lower-income families. [Fox News, Sept. 3, 2015]
- Shale energy production could add 2 million jobs in 7 years.
- The oil and natural gas industry supports 10 million high-paying Americans jobs and can create another 400,000 new jobs per year. [The New York Times, June 20, 2015]

Immigration

Trump's Vision

- Prioritize the jobs, wages and security of the American people.
- Establish new immigration controls.

- Protect the economic well-being of the lawful immigrants already living here by curbing uncontrolled foreign worker admissions
- Begin working on an impenetrable physical wall on the southern border, on day one. Mexico will pay for the wall.
- End catch-and-release (anyone who illegally crosses the border will be detained until they are removed out of the country).
- Move criminal aliens out on day one, in joint operations with local, state, and federal law enforcement. We will terminate the Obama administration's deadly, non-enforcement policies that allow thousands of criminal aliens to freely roam our streets.
- End sanctuary cities.
- Immediately terminate President Obama's two illegal executive amnesties.
- Suspend the issuance of visas to any place where adequate screening cannot occur, until proven and effective vetting mechanisms can be put in place.
- Ensure that other countries take their people back when we order them deported.
- Ensure that a biometric entry-exit visa tracking system is fully implemented at all land, air, and sea ports.
- Turn off the jobs and benefits magnet. Many immigrants come to the US illegally in search of jobs, even though federal law prohibits the employment of illegal immigrants.
- Reform legal immigration to serve the best interests of America and its workers, keeping immigration levels within historic norms.

Trump's Citations:

- Illegal immigrants and other non-citizens in our prisons and jails together had around 25,000 homicide arrests to their names. [United States Government Accountability Office, March 2011]
- Current immigration policy costs taxpayers \$300 billion a year [National Review, Sept. 22, 2016]
- There are at least 2 million convicted criminal aliens now inside the country. [Center for Immigration Studies, Oct. 2013]
- Since 2013 alone, the Obama Administration has allowed 300,000 criminal aliens to return back into U.S. communities.
- Between 9/11 and the end of 2014, at least 380 foreign-born individuals were convicted in terror cases inside the United States. [U.S. Senate Immigration Subcommittee, June 22, 2016]
- In the last five years, we've admitted nearly 100,000 immigrants from Iraq and Afghanistan – in these two countries, according to Pew research, a majority of residents say that the barbaric practice of honor killings against women are often or sometimes justified. [U.S. Department of Homeland Security, August 2016], [Pew Research Center, July 22, 2016]
- From the year 2008 through 2014, nearly 13,000 criminal aliens were released back into U.S. communities because their home countries would not take them back. [The Boston Globe, June 4, 2016]
- 62 percent of households headed by illegal immigrants used some form of cash or non-cash welfare programs, like food stamps or housing assistance. [Center for Immigration Studies, Sept. 2015]

- Nearly 1 million illegal immigrants, including nearly 200,000 with criminal convictions, had been ordered deported but remain at large. [Washington Examiner, July 1, 2015]
- Between 2013 and 2015, the Obama Administration released over 86,000 criminal aliens from custody. In 2015 alone, ICE freed 19,723 criminal aliens, who had 64,197 convictions among them. These included 8,234 violent convictions and 208 homicide convictions. [Homeland Security Committee, Nov. 19, 2015]

Healthcare

Trump's Vision:

- Repeal and replace Obamacare with Health Savings Accounts (HSAs).
- Work with Congress to create a patient-centered health care system that promotes choice, quality, and affordability.
- Work with states to establish high-risk pools to ensure access to coverage for individuals who have not maintained continuous coverage.
- Allow people to purchase insurance across state lines, in all 50 states, creating a dynamic market.
- Maximize flexibility for states via block grants so that local leaders can design innovative Medicaid programs that will better serve their low-income citizens.

Education

Trump's Vision:

- Immediately add an additional federal investment of \$20 billion towards school choice. This will be done by reprioritizing existing federal dollars.
- Give states the option to allow these funds to follow the student to the public or private school they attend. Distribution of this grant will favor states that have private school choice, magnet schools and charter laws, encouraging them to participate.
- Establish the national goal of providing school choice to every one of the 11 million school aged children living in poverty.
- If the states collectively contribute another \$110 billion of their own education budgets toward school choice, on top of the \$20 billion in federal dollars, that could provide \$12,000 in school choice funds to every K-12 student who today lives in poverty.
- Work with Congress on reforms to ensure universities are making a good faith effort to reduce the cost of college and student debt in exchange for the federal tax breaks and tax dollars.
- Ensure that the opportunity to attend a two or four-year college, or to pursue a trade or a skill set through vocational and technical education, will be easier to access, pay for, and finish.

¹ What Markets are Really Telling Us About a Trump Presidency. New York Times, Nov. 12 2016.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/12/upshot/what-the-markets-are-really-telling-us-about-a-trump-presidency.html? r=0>

² Victorious Donald Trump is Devil Wall Street Doesn't Know. Bloomberg, Nov. 9 2016.

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Christy Clark: Hi.

Reporter: Premier Wall was saying that you'd be concerned that there could be a two-tier system between cap and trade, and that there might be different [inaudible] or uneven. Do you have any concerns?

Clark: Can I start by saying this? I hope we can get to an agreement. I think, more than any Premier in the country, I have been saying for a long time, we need a national carbon price. And I'm glad that the federal government's decided they want to be a part of making that happen. Because we've been at \$30 for eight years. And it's been great being a leader in the country, but it would sure be nice to have the rest of the provinces catch up with us.

So that's the first thing I would say. I'm optimistic about that. The issue in the proposal as it stands, and I think we can change this, is that at the moment it's structured to that in the West, the energy-producing provinces, we would be paying double, citizens would be paying double what they're paying in Ontario and Quebec. And you can't have a national carbon tax where the westerners who produce the energy are paying double what the people in central Canada are paying to use the energy, in terms of an additional carbon tax.

So I think we can work through that. I think we need to. I think we need to find a way around that. But there really is just that issue of fairness between provinces.

Reporter: How do you figure you'd be paying double? How is that?

Clark: BC and Alberta is moving up to \$30. The proposal is that we would all go up to \$50 regardless of how much we were reducing our emissions. And in Ontario and Quebec, the trading price for carbon is \$8. The Eco Fiscal Commission, which is non partisan, said that

they're at about \$16 in Ontario, or that they will be at about \$16 in Ontario in terms of what they pay in carbon price.

So you know, to me, we've got to make sure that the price on carbon is fair and equivalent across the country. And I think we can get there. I'm an optimist about this because I really want to make sure that we get to a deal. And I'm glad that the federal government is putting it on the table, bringing us together to talk about it. But it's got to be a fair deal. And you have to have one price for all Canadians if it's going to be a national price.

Reporter: Premier Wall says there's been no economic assessment of the carbon tax. You've been basically running one for years now. What would you say to him on that front?

Clark: Our experience with this, it looks like it's going to be unique and not apply to any other province at the moment. Because every penny of carbon tax which we have collected, which is I think close to \$9b in the last eight years, has gone into cutting taxes. All of it. None of it has gone into growing government, into more spending. It's all gone into cutting personal, small business, and other taxes. And that's meant we have the most tax-competitive economy in the country, which is why we have the fastest growing economy in the country.

No other province is proposing both a carbon tax and a revenue-neutral carbon tax. And so the lesson I think for BC is, if you're going to have a pure carbon tax that is transparent and clear, there are two things about it that are really important.

One is, you need to keep the money in your own provincial economy. And the second is, you need to make sure you are spending it, that government isn't spending it, that you're just giving it back to citizens. So that you're not increasing the overall tax burden. That is the lesson for a successful carbon-pricing scheme that we've learned in BC over eight years. And it's worked because we're the fastest-growing economy in the country for a reason.

Reporter: And there is nothing stopping Premier Wall from setting up a system up that under the federal proposal.

Clark: Well no. I guess the thing that all premiers will be concerned about is, we want to make sure that western Canadians, or Newfoundlanders, or people in PEI end up with the same fair deal and end up paying the same level of carbon tax that people pay in central Canada. I don't think it's good for the country to have that kind of regional inequity, [inaudible], in the biggest national tax change we'll have, or that we've seen, I think in my lifetime.

And I think it's worth getting this right. BC wants a deal. We want a pan-Canadian carbon price. And certainly Saskatchewan and BC differ on that. But we want it to be a fair one, and we want it to be one that's going to work.

Reporter: But right now do you think there are regional inequities? And by the end of the day, will you be able to work those out?

Clark: I think, well in the proposal, absolutely there are. In the proposal as it stands, and this is the thing that we're going to work on changing over the course of this day, is Ontario and Quebec will be judged based on their emissions, regardless of their price. BC, Alberta and all other provinces will be judged on their price regardless of their emissions. So let's have a system where we all are either judged on whether... you know, if the outcome we want is to have lower

emissions, let's get to an agreement on having lower emissions province by province. Because there are a lot of ways to get there.

If the issue is we want to have a national tax, let's make sure that every Canadian is paying the same amount regardless of where they live; that no province can walk away with an incredible deal at the expense of everybody else.

Reporter: What about the issue of health care? Premier Pallister is saying this is the number one issue, and that a separate conversation tonight is not going to be enough. Are you still pushing for a specific meeting on health?

Clark: We are. The thing about it is, both are urgent. It's hard not to say climate change isn't an urgent issue when we're talking about the future of our earth and our ecosystems.

The thing about the health care discussion is it's urgent in terms of when the federal budget is going to be nailed down. So we really need to get an agreement around health care because otherwise the reduction in the federal contribution is going to really hit senior citizens in my province very, very hard. And so what I'm hoping is, we can have a discussion where we get to a 6%. Maybe let's bridge this for a year so we can have more time to discuss it. That maybe what happens with climate too, we set aside clauses where we still need to have more discussion. I think three hours is, which is what we've set aside in the agenda, ambitious to conclude the biggest tax change since I was born at the federal level.

I think two hours at dinner is probably not enough time to get the health care thing settled either. But both are a good start. And I really welcome the federal government deciding they want to talk about those things.

Reporter: What do you make of the federal government really kind of digging their heels in on the whole notion of health dollars need to be spent on health? And they haven't expressed any wiggle room in terms of the escalator. So do you think there's an openness there from Ottawa that they might be able to negotiate a different escalator?

Clark: I hope so. They did express a desire to do that a year ago. So I'm assuming that their minds are open to that. The thing is, is that we have the lowest cost per capita in BC, except in Quebec where there is access to more private care. Lowest cost per capita. And the best health care outcomes in the country. And we should, I think, we can not get our cost per capita any lower than they are now without people really starting to feel it. The federal government needs to be a partner in this. And you know, I'm hoping we can get there. Because this isn't about provinces and the federal government; this is about people who need knee operations and seniors with dementia and children with mental health issues. That's what this is about.

And this is supposed to be a national health care system. We really do need a full national partner in it.

Reporter: How is all this tied with the environment, in the sense that, is there going to be any bargaining? Like, we'll do this if you do that? In terms of health and the environment?

Clark: I don't think they're... I don't see either one of them, they're both too important to be trading chips, I would say, bargaining chips. You can tell how much time I spend in the casino. I think, on the environment, what we need to do on climate, we need to get to a deal. It might not be today. But we do need to get to a deal. It needs to be a fair deal for all Canadians. It

needs to be equitable for everybody no matter where you live. Can't be double in Calgary and half of that in Toronto. That's not fair.

But on health, equally important, and Premiers I think are united around that issue for sure. So apples and oranges I think. Both are vitally important, and I don't think you'll see us bargaining one for the other.

Reporter: But do you put Trudeau's head in a headlock to say, it has to go to 6%? How do you force him?

Clark: I think the federal government will want to do the right thing for Canadians. We all want a great health care system. We all want to make sure that seniors with dementia, that they can get the care they need. And the fact is that our ability to make sure that happens is diminishing because if the federal government doesn't step up with more support for health care. This is supposed to be a national health care system, so we really do need a national partner.

Reporter: Part of the problem with these carbon taxes is that it's largely assumed the USA will not have one. How do you think that Canadians can compete if we have a carbon tax and our biggest trading partner doesn't?

Clark: Follow the BC example. Bring in a carbon tax where you keep 100% of that money in your own economy. And second, you make sure that the way you keep that in your economy is by giving people tax cuts.

So you have to make sure that the tax is absolutely revenue neutral. This idea that you can take a carbon tax and start spending it on government programs and government investments, it just makes government bigger. You've got to make sure that your economy is more competitive by reinvesting those taxes you've gotten from carbon in lower taxes elsewhere. That is the key.

And he's right, Canada has to make sure that, we have to be more competitive than we have ever been, given what we're seeing south of the border. There's nothing wrong with that. But it also does mean that we can't, this era where we thought we could just grow government, grow taxes and still be able to compete is gone. And it left the day that Donald Trump got elected President of the US. [fin, env, pcjc, jtst, sss]

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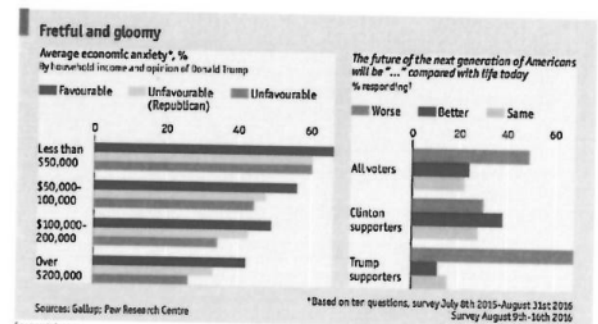
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Both economic hardship and racial divisions fuel support for Donald Trump

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AMERICA'S presidential contest offers voters a stark choice. Hillary Clinton represents continuity with the Obama administration—not a bad pitch to voters, given low unemployment, steady job growth and a recent upturn in the rate of increase of real incomes. In the opposite corner is Donald Trump, standing on a radical platform of protectionism, draconian immigration restrictions, massive defence spending and construction of a big, beautiful wall along the Mexican border. Mr Trump's dangerous economic nationalism demands an explanation. Is he the predictable consequence of years of hardship for many Americans?

Two broad theories vie to explain Mr Trump's ascent. One camp sees him as an inevitable backlash against economic-policy priorities that have left many Americans behind. As America and the world have grown more economically integrated, growth in household incomes has stagnated and inequality soared. The costs of freer trade were borne most acutely in Southern and Mid-Western manufacturing towns exposed to competition from cheap Chinese imports. A series of recent papers shows that the most affected labour markets have experienced a long period of depressed wage growth, low rates of



labour-force participation and high unemployment. These trends carved out a political niche ready to be filled by someone like Mr Trump.

There is another camp, however, which suggests that worker anxieties, though real, have little to do with Trumpism. Instead, his rise is the product of a Republican electoral strategy of maximising turnout among older white voters. An effective way to achieve this goal, goes the argument, is to stoke their racial fears; the white, non-Hispanic share of the population has fallen from nearly 90% in the 1940s to about 60% now and will continue to drop, fuelling unease among older whites. Mr Trump's winning message is about ethnic demagoguery and little else.

Some evidence supports a race-based interpretation of the election. Mr Trump has often been openly hostile to racial and religious minority groups. Race and religion strongly predict whether someone supports or opposes Mr Trump; a vast majority of Americans who are black, Hispanic, Jewish, Muslim or atheist favour Mrs Clinton. Income, on the other hand, is less predictive. A recent analysis of polling data by Jonathan Rothwell, of Gallup, finds that Mr Trump's supporters tend to come from the middle of American economic distribution rather than the very bottom (or top). "Racial isolation", or living in communities with comparatively little contact with other races, is strongly predictive of support for the Republican nominee. Places with high levels of exposure to trade and immigration, in contrast, are not areas of traditional Republican support.

It would be wrong, however, to dismiss the role of economic anxiety. Mr Rothwell notes that Trump-backers, including the better-off ones, are far more likely to report worries about financial insecurity than those who do not favour Mr Trump (see chart, left panel). Though his followers tend to enjoy higher rates of employment and higher incomes than people of similar education levels who do not support Mr Trump, they look economically vulnerable in other important ways. Mr Rothwell finds that they disproportionately live in areas where white mortality rates and dependence on government support seem higher than the norm, and where rates of social mobility are lower. It is not surprising, then, that whereas Mrs Clinton's supporters reckon future generations of Americans will be better off than those living today, Mr Trump's backers are far more gloomy (see chart, right panel).

Considering recent polling out of context can also be misleading. James Kwak, of the University of Connecticut, argues that Mr Trump's supporters have relatively high incomes on average because such people tend to vote Republican. Yet among those voters earning less than \$50,000 a year, Mr Trump is polling 17 percentage points better, relative to his opponent, than did Mitt Romney, the Republican candidate for president in 2012.

Global fundamentals

Economic and racial explanations of political shifts need not be mutually exclusive. In a paper in 2014 analysing political polarisation in America, David Schleicher of Yale University points out that shifts toward "radical and fundamentalist opinion" are by no means confined to America. The phenomenon is also seen across Europe and elsewhere, suggesting global trends are at work, not just a Republican electoral strategy. Moreover, economic trends seem to make issues of race or nationality more salient. A

paper published in April found evidence for this dynamic in American cities exposed to import competition. It found that voters in trade-exposed labour markets tended to replace their moderate representatives with left-wing Democrats or right-wing Republicans, depending on whether whites were a minority or a majority of the local population, respectively.

Economic hardship appears to strengthen the ideological fringes. Yet why should it also widen racial divisions? Perhaps economic insecurity simply generates a need for scapegoats, and minorities are easy targets—especially if they rely on taxpayer-financed benefits. That chimes with the experience of places heavily exposed to imports, where labour-force participation has fallen and reliance on government disability insurance has risen. And at the same time as more people are relying on handouts, America has become less white. Studies show that support for redistribution is weaker where racial and ethnic diversity is greater. Mr Trump tends to draw support from places with high levels of government dependency. Given a pool of racial unease, economic woes that increase reliance on the social safety-net may also enhance the attraction of the politics of racial resentment, and hence of Trumpism.

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A massive new study debunks a widespread theory for Donald Trump's success

By Max Ehrenfreund and Jeff Guo August 12, 2016

Economic distress and anxiety across working-class white America have become a widely discussed explanation for the success of Donald Trump. It seems to make sense. Trump's most fervent supporters tend to be white men without college degrees. The same group has suffered economically in our increasingly globalized world, as machines have replaced workers in factories and labor has shifted overseas. Trump has promised to curtail trade and other perceived threats to American workers, including immigrants.

Yet a major new analysis from Gallup, based on 87,000 interviews the polling company conducted over the past year, suggests this narrative is not complete. While there does seem to be a relationship between economic anxiety and Trump's appeal, the straightforward connection that many observers have assumed does not appear in the data.

According to this new analysis, those who view Trump favorably have not been disproportionately affected by foreign trade or immigration, compared with people with unfavorable views of the Republican presidential nominee. The results suggest that his supporters, on average, do not have lower incomes than other Americans, nor are they more likely to be unemployed.

Yet while Trump's supporters might be comparatively well off themselves, they come from places where their neighbors endure other forms of hardship. In their communities, white residents are dying younger, and it is harder for young people who grow up poor to get ahead.

The Gallup analysis is the most comprehensive statistical profile of Trump's supporters so far. Jonathan Rothwell, the economist at Gallup who conducted the analysis, sorted the respondents by their Zip code and then compared those findings with a host of other data from a variety of sources. After statistically controlling factors such as education, age and gender, Rothwell was able to determine which traits distinguished those who favored Trump from those who did not, even among people who appeared to be similar in other respects.

Rothwell conducted this kind of analysis not only among the broad group of Americans polled by Gallup. He was also able to focus specifically on white respondents, and even just on white Republicans. In general, his results were the same regardless of

the group analyzed.

Rothwell's research includes far more data than past statistical studies of Trump. It also provides a detailed view not only of the people who support him but also of the places where they live. Academics and other analysts will continue to study the Trump phenomenon in months and years to come, and may, of course, reach different explanations.

This research leaves some mysteries unsolved. Something is afflicting the places where Trump's supporters live, but Trump's supporters do not exhibit more severe economic distress than do those who view him unfavorably. Perhaps, Rothwell suggest Trump's supporters are concerned less about themselves than about how the community's children are faring. Whatever it is, competition from migrant labor or the decline of factory work appear to be inadequate explanations.

Trump is giving his supporters a misleading account of their ills, Rothwell said. "He says they are suffering because of globalization," Rothwell said. "He says they're suffering because of immigration and a diversifying country, but I can't find any evidence of that."

Trump's support does come from a place of adversity, though, and Rothwell said Trump's prescriptions — tariffs on imported goods, restrictions on immigration and mass deportation — seem disconnected from his voters' real problems.

"I don't see how any of those things would help with their health problems, with the lack of intergenerational mobility," Rothwell said.

Five findings in particular from Rothwell's work are noteworthy: those related to economic factors such as income, manufacturing and opportunity, as well as his conclusions about health and racial diversity.

Income

From polls, it is clear that Trump's supporters tend to be blue-collar men with lower levels of education. Yet important questions remain. For instance, do these people support Trump because they are on the margins of the economy or for other reasons?

To answer these questions, Rothwell gathered data, mostly from Gallup's regular telephone interviews. In those interviews, pollsters asked how favorably respondents viewed the presidential candidates and collected a variety of other information, including where respondents lived, their race and ethnicity, their religion, their education, their employment and their income. Rothwell also compiled information about the communities where people lived — how healthy the residents were, the local effects of trade, and the level of economic opportunity. He compared all these factors to determine which were closely associated with Trump's supporters.

Among people who had similar educations, lived in similar places, belonged to the same religion and so on, those with greater incomes were modestly more likely to favor Trump. They were just as likely to be either working or looking for work as others.

In one respect, that conclusion was expected. White households tend to be more affluent than other households, and Trump's supporters are overwhelmingly white. The same is true of Republicans in general. Yet when Rothwell focused only on white Republicans, he also found that demographically similar respondents who were more affluent viewed Trump more favorably.

These results suggest that personal finances cannot alone account for Trump's appeal. His popularity with less-educated men is probably due to some other trait that these supporters share.

Trade

Several recent analyses have attributed Trump's success to the disappearance of the factory worker, and to competition with imported goods — especially from China. An essay in the *Atlantic* in May attributed Trump's success to the gradual decline of employment in the manufacturing sector because of technology and globalization.

"Manufacturing provided steady work for unionized workers without a four-year diploma," Derek Thompson wrote. "When it collapsed, so did unions and the fortunes of non-college men."

On Thursday, a *Wall Street Journal* report was published online with the headline "How the China Shock, Deep and Swift, Spurred the Rise of Trump." The authors concluded that Trump had won the Republican primary in 89 of the 100 counties most negatively affected by competition from China, measured according to an index developed by a group of academic economists.

Trump's supporters do live and work in economies reliant on manufacturing that have been exposed to intense competition from China. They themselves believe their personal finances have been negatively affected by trade: A poll by the Pew Research Center during the primary found that 60 percent of Trump's supporters said trade had hurt their family's finances, compared with 42 percent of Ohio Gov. John Kasich's supporters and 36 percent of those supporting Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Tex.).

Yet the Gallup analysis shows that Americans who live in places where employment in manufacturing has declined since 1990 are not more favorable to Trump. Rothwell did not find a relationship when he focused only on white respondents, either, or even specifically on white Republicans.

Trump's supporters have many other traits in common with the factory workers whose economic prospects have been negatively affected by automation and global trade. They tend to be less educated men who hold blue-collar occupations.

Yet those two broad trends in factory work do not account for Trump's appeal, Rothwell's analysis suggests. In fact, among those who share other traits, those who live in districts with more manufacturing are less favorably disposed toward Trump.

Rothwell even found that evidence that people in places affected by Chinese competition viewed Trump more unfavorably. Rothwell, however, was less confident in this finding because of statistical uncertainty.

Rothwell said the results make sense, even though he was surprised by them initially.

Trump's supporters are blue-collar, and many people working in those occupations have jobs in construction, repair or transportation — all of which are protected from Chinese competition. Chinese workers might be assembling semiconductors, but they are not adjusting the thermostat or changing the oil.

Republicans who belong to unions outside of the public sector are not more likely to favor Trump than those who are not in a union, but self-employed Republicans view the candidate more favorably, after adjusting for other factors.

Opportunity

Trump supporters might not be experiencing acute economic distress, but they are living in places that lack economic opportunity for the next generation.

Rothwell used data from Harvard economists Raj Chetty and Nathaniel Hendren, who studied how children born in the 1980s moved up or down the economic ladder depending on where they grew up. Children raised in places with high economic mobility, such as Boston or Pittsburgh, often surpassed their parents in socioeconomic status. Children raised in places with low economic mobility, such as Raleigh, N.C., and Indianapolis, struggled just to do as well as their parents in adulthood.

Trump was especially popular in these parts of the country.

Why does Trump's message resonate the most in these low-mobility areas? The data do not provide a clear answer. It is possible that Trump's supporters, while still better off than many of their neighbors, are worse off than they might have been in the past. Rothwell examined their incomes, but he did not have data on how those incomes had changed over time.

Polling conducted by The Washington Post and ABC News earlier this year, for example, also found no connection between current income and support for Trump. Respondents were also asked, however, whether they felt they were struggling to maintain their standard of living or whether they felt comfortable in their situation and that they were moving up. Those who said they felt they were struggling were more likely to support Trump.

Rothwell also suggested the reason might have something to do with parents and children. Trump voters tend to be older, blue-collar workers, and recent generations have had more difficulty getting well-paying jobs that didn't require much education. Those opportunities have largely dried up. And now, Trump supporters tend to live in places where the world has gotten visibly tougher for the kids on the block. It's easier to agree with Trump's narrative about American decline when you have seen your own child fall down the economic ladder.

This may help explain one puzzle that has stumped election observers so far. Trump has found success playing up economic grievances, stoking anxieties about immigrants, and complaining about Chinese competition. How is it then, that so many of his supporters seem to be economically secure? It could be that Trump supporters aren't worried for themselves, but for their children.

Health

As The Post reported in March, the counties that supported Trump in the GOP primaries were the same counties in which middle-aged whites suffer from abnormally high death rates. Rothwell's report confirmed this connection and expanded on it.

Among Americans who were similar in terms of income, age, education and other factors, those who lived in places where people were less healthy had more favorable views of Trump. In these communities, whites are dying faster, there is more obesity, and people report more health problems. Again, this pattern held when Rothwell focused on white respondents only and on white Republicans specifically.

In other words, between two people who earn the same amount of money and have the same amount of schooling, the person who comes from a place with bad health is more likely to support Trump. It's hard to say what is causing this bad health, but at least some of this probably has roots in cultural practices — diet and exercise habits, patterns of drinking and smoking, and more.

It's unclear what's going on here, but it's not a recent phenomenon. Economists Anne Case and Angus Deaton recently documented startling increases in the middle-aged white death rate in the past decade, but Rothwell finds that people's support for Trump didn't seem to be affected by changes in the white death rate where they lived. The places where Trump is popular are places where people have been unhealthy for a long time.

Diversity

Although Trump voters tend to be the most skeptical about immigration, they are also the least likely to actually encounter an immigrant in their neighborhood.

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Rothwell finds that people who live in places with many Hispanic residents or places close to the Mexican border, tend not to favor Trump — relative to otherwise similar Americans and to otherwise similar white Republicans.

Among those who are similar in terms of income, education and other factors, those who view Trump favorably are more likely to be found in white enclaves — racially isolated Zip codes where the amount of diversity is lower than in surrounding areas.

These places have not been affected much by immigration, and Rothwell believes that is no coincidence. He argues that when people have more personal experience of people from other countries, they develop friendlier attitudes toward immigrants.

Research from Pew suggests that there is a relationship between the character of people's neighborhoods and their views on immigrants. A study from 2006 found that native-born Americans living in Zip codes with lots of immigrants tended to hold immigrants in higher esteem. For instance, they were about twice as likely to say that immigrants "strengthen the US with their hard work and talents."

This was true, apparently, even after taking into account people's backgrounds and their political leanings. "Analysis of the survey indicates that their more favorable views do not merely reflect their demographics or political composition, but suggests that exposure to and experience with immigrants results in a better impression of them," Pew noted.

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Here is the FMM e-binder for the Premier. This contains new documents from the federal government sent last night (Communiqué, PCF and BC Annex) plus some minor changes to the roll out note.

The Pan Canadian Framework document is now presented without any track changes visible.

New documents may still come from the federal government—we will email these as they become available.

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Christy Clark: Hi.

Reporter: Premier Wall was saying that you'd be concerned that there could be a two-tier system between cap and trade, and that there might be different [inaudible] or uneven. Do you have any concerns?

Clark: Can I start by saying this? I hope we can get to an agreement. I think, more than any Premier in the country, I have been saying for a long time, we need a national carbon price. And I'm glad that the federal government's decided they want to be a part of making that happen. Because we've been at \$30 for eight years. And it's been great being a leader in the country, but it would sure be nice to have the rest of the provinces catch up with us.

So that's the first thing I would say. I'm optimistic about that. The issue in the proposal as it stands, and I think we can change this, is that at the moment it's structured to that in the West, the energy-producing provinces, we would be paying double, citizens would be paying double what they're paying in Ontario and Quebec. And you can't have a national carbon tax where the westerners who produce the energy are paying double what the people in central Canada are paying to use the energy, in terms of an additional carbon tax.

So I think we can work through that. I think we need to. I think we need to find a way around that. But there really is just that issue of fairness between provinces.

Reporter: How do you figure you'd be paying double? How is that?

Clark: BC and Alberta is moving up to \$30. The proposal is that we would all go up to \$50 regardless of how much we were reducing our emissions. And in Ontario and Quebec, the trading price for carbon is \$8. The Eco Fiscal Commission, which is non partisan, said that they're at about \$16 in Ontario, or that

they will be at about \$16 in Ontario in terms of what they pay in carbon price.

So you know, to me, we've got to make sure that the price on carbon is fair and equivalent across the country. And I think we can get there. I'm an optimist about this because I really want to make sure that we get to a deal. And I'm glad that the federal government is putting it on the table, bringing us together to talk about it. But it's got to be a fair deal. And you have to have one price for all Canadians if it's going to be a national price.

Reporter: Premier Wall says there's been no economic assessment of the carbon tax. You've been basically running one for years now. What would you say to him on that front?

Clark: Our experience with this, it looks like it's going to be unique and not apply to any other province at the moment. Because every penny of carbon tax which we have collected, which is I think close to \$9b in the last eight years, has gone into cutting taxes. All of it. None of it has gone into growing government, into more spending. It's all gone into cutting personal, small business, and other taxes. And that's meant we have the most tax-competitive economy in the country, which is why we have the fastest growing economy in the country.

No other province is proposing both a carbon tax and a revenue-neutral carbon tax. And so the lesson I think for BC is, if you're going to have a pure carbon tax that is transparent and clear, there are two things about it that are really important.

One is, you need to keep the money in your own provincial economy. And the second is, you need to make sure you are spending it, that government isn't spending it, that you're just giving it back to citizens. So that you're not increasing the overall tax burden. That is the lesson for a successful carbon-pricing scheme that we've learned in BC over eight years. And it's worked because we're the fastest-growing economy in the country for a reason.

Reporter: And there is nothing stopping Premier Wall from setting up a system up that under the federal proposal.

Clark: Well no. I guess the thing that all premiers will be concerned about is, we want to make sure that western Canadians, or Newfoundlanders, or people in PEI end up with the same fair deal and end up paying the same level of carbon tax that people pay in central Canada. I don't think it's good for the country to have that kind of regional inequity, [inaudible], in the biggest national tax change we'll have, or that we've seen, I think in my lifetime.

And I think it's worth getting this right. BC wants a deal. We want a pan-Canadian carbon price. And certainly Saskatchewan and BC differ on that. But we want it to be a fair one, and we want it to be one that's going to work.

Reporter: But right now do you think there are regional inequities? And by the end of the day, will you be able to work those out?

Clark: I think, well in the proposal, absolutely there are. In the proposal as it stands, and this is the thing that we're going to work on changing over the course of this day, is Ontario and Quebec will be judged based on their emissions, regardless of their price. BC, Alberta and all other provinces will be judged on their price regardless of their emissions. So let's have a system where we all are either judged on whether... you know, if the outcome we want is to have lower emissions, let's get to an agreement on having lower emissions province by province. Because there are a lot of ways to get there.

If the issue is we want to have a national tax, let's make sure that every Canadian is paying the same amount regardless of where they live; that no province can walk away with an incredible deal at the expense of everybody else.

Reporter: What about the issue of health care? Premier Pallister is saying this is the number one issue, and that a separate conversation tonight is not going to be enough. Are you still pushing for a specific meeting on health?

Clark: We are. The thing about it is, both are urgent. It's hard not to say climate change isn't an urgent issue when we're talking about the future of our earth and our ecosystems.

The thing about the health care discussion is it's urgent in terms of when the federal budget is going to be nailed down. So we really need to get an agreement around health care because otherwise the reduction in the federal contribution is going to really hit senior citizens in my province very, very hard. And so what I'm hoping is, we can have a discussion where we get to a 6%. Maybe let's bridge this for a year so we can have more time to discuss it. That maybe what happens with climate too, we set aside clauses where we still need to have more discussion. I think three hours is, which is what we've set aside in the agenda, ambitious to conclude the biggest tax change since I was born at the federal level.

I think two hours at dinner is probably not enough time to get the health care thing settled either. But both are a good start. And I really welcome the federal government deciding they want to talk about those things.

Reporter: What do you make of the federal government really kind of digging their heels in on the whole notion of health dollars need to be spent on health? And they haven't expressed any wiggle room in terms of the escalator. So do you think there's an openness there from Ottawa that they might be able to negotiate a different escalator?

Clark: I hope so. They did express a desire to do that a year ago. So I'm assuming that their minds are open to that. The thing is, is that we have the lowest cost per capita in BC, except in Quebec where there is access to more private care. Lowest cost per capita. And the best health care outcomes in the country. And we should, I think, we can not get our cost per capita any lower than they are now without people really starting to feel it. The federal government needs to be a partner in this. And you know, I'm hoping we can get there. Because this isn't about provinces and the federal government; this is about people who need knee operations and seniors with dementia and children with mental health issues. That's what this is about.

And this is supposed to be a national health care system. We really do need a full national partner in it.

Reporter: How is all this tied with the environment, in the sense that, is there going to be any bargaining? Like, we'll do this if you do that? In terms of health and the environment?

Clark: I don't think they're... I don't see either one of them, they're both too important to be trading chips, I would say, bargaining chips. You can tell how much time I spend in the casino. I think, on the environment, what we need to do on climate, we need to get to a deal. It might not be today. But we do need to get to a deal. It needs to be a fair deal for all Canadians. It needs to be equitable for everybody no matter where you live. Can't be double in Calgary and half of that in Toronto. That's not fair.

But on health, equally important, and Premiers I think are united around that issue for sure. So apples and oranges I think. Both are vitally important, and I don't think you'll see us bargaining one for the other.

Reporter: But do you put Trudeau's head in a headlock to say, it has to go to 6%? How do you force him?

Clark: I think the federal government will want to do the right thing for Canadians. We all want a great health care system. We all want to make sure that seniors with dementia, that they can get the care they need. And the fact is that our ability to make sure that happens is diminishing because if the federal government doesn't step up with more support for health care. This is supposed to be a

national health care system, so we really do need a national partner.

Reporter: Part of the problem with these carbon taxes is that it's largely assumed the USA will not have one. How do you think that Canadians can compete if we have a carbon tax and our biggest trading partner doesn't?

Clark: Follow the BC example. Bring in a carbon tax where you keep 100% of that money in your own economy. And second, you make sure that the way you keep that in your economy is by giving people tax cuts.

So you have to make sure that the tax is absolutely revenue neutral. This idea that you can take a carbon tax and start spending it on government programs and government investments, it just makes government bigger. You've got to make sure that your economy is more competitive by reinvesting those taxes you've gotten from carbon in lower taxes elsewhere. That is the key.

And he's right, Canada has to make sure that, we have to be more competitive than we have ever been, given what we're seeing south of the border. There's nothing wrong with that. But it also does mean that we can't, this era where we thought we could just grow government, grow taxes and still be able to compete is gone. And it left the day that Donald Trump got elected President of the US. [fin, env, pcjc, jtst, sss]

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Susan Yurkovich: [Inaudible] a new softwood lumber agreement. Unfortunately we are not at that place at this time. So, in absence of an agreement we have also been preparing for litigation and we're fully prepared to defend our industry.

Reporter: The agreement expired a year ago. Why is there a standstill in between [inaudible]?

Yurkovich: The previous agreement, the 2006 softwood lumber agreement expired actually in October of 2015. In that agreement there was an agreement between the two parties to hold off for one year and to have a stand still period. During that period the US industry was not permitted to file a new action against Canada.

Reporter: [Inaudible] will there be immediate penalty or duties laid on the Canadian [inaudible]?

Andrew Wilkinson: In the short term the US Department of Commerce will review the materials filed in the next few weeks. The United States International Trade Commission will similarly be reviewing the documentation and we expect in coming weeks they will make their determinations of how to proceed. It's really quite speculative for us to anticipate their conclusions. Nonetheless, we are prepared to stand by our forest industry, which is highly competitive and thrives in a market based economy.

Reporter: This happening under the Obama administration, a little bit friendlier than what we have coming in. The Trump administration is being openly hostile to trade issues so it seems like fairly safe to say this is going to go on for a while. What are we doing to plan, assuming that this is not going to be an easy fix?

Wilkinson: The [inaudible] we believe will allege subsidies and the traditional claim of dumping of product into the US market. That has an entire legal framework around it, which will be functional regardless of what administration is in place in the US. Nonetheless we intend to stand by our industry because we believe in a market based approach to the softwood lumber industry and we believe our industry will thrive, which is why we will stand by it throughout this process.

Reporter: I understand it's fair not to speculate necessarily but I assume that the government has done some modelling or economic forecasting based on potential scenarios here. What are you looking at in

potential ballpark damage to the industry?

Yurkovich: I think at this point just to go back to your previous question, I think it's important to remember that the softwood lumber dispute between Canada and the US has been a dispute that has gone on for many years, over 30 years. So, this is a dispute that has been through Democratic and Republican administrations. So, yes, we do have a new president elect but this isn't something that we haven't faced with a Democratic administration as well. In terms of what the impact to the industry will be, I think we have to wait and see how this thing plays out. I think there's still an opportunity to continue to have dialogue between the government of Canada and the US trade representatives office towards achieving a new agreement. We'll have to see what the duties are in place before we can understand what the full impact to the industry is.

Reporter: Susan, [inaudible] can you give me the overall [inaudible] for the softwood lumber industry and what sort of concerns you may have because of it?

Wilkinson: I'll assume that you didn't hear the opening remarks so I'll just repeat them essentially. [Inaudible] was filed with the US Department of Commerce, which has the effect of initiating a new round of the softwood lumber trade dispute between Canada and the US. Our government will be working very closely with the federal government to stand by our industry and make sure that the appropriate process is followed and given that we've been through this process before it's lengthy, it's very time consuming and at the same time it requires the government of Canada and the government of BC to stand by the industry because we believe it is highly competitive, will be successful in a market based system.

Reporter: I'd like to hear from Susan if I could ask a more direct question. You and I have talked about the possibility of this legal [inaudible] in the past. I think it was something that the industry anticipated. So, what changes [inaudible] for the industry before this was filed and now that it has been filed?

Yurkovich: The difference between today and yesterday is that we actually have an actual filing of the document. Before that we had been, as you mentioned, we had been anticipating this. Over the next few days we will read through the very lengthy petition that Minister Wilkinson referenced and determine what exactly the arguments are being levelled at this time are but I suspect that they will be very similar to what they have alleged in the past. For our industry, we will continue to work very closely with the government of BC and the government of Canada both on this litigation in terms of defending our industry as we have done successfully in the past. We will also continue to support discussions with the US through Global Affairs Canada.

Reporter: [Inaudible] Minister Wilkinson. [Inaudible] the US lumber sawmill industry [inaudible]. How does that change [inaudible]?

Yurkovich: It's a little hard to hear you but I think what you're asking about is the Canadian ownership of some assets in the US. Yes, in fact we have some companies who have diversified their asset base into the US. I should say that for a global industry, which this is, we are an industry that exports products all over the globe, it is not unusual to have operations in more than one jurisdiction. In fact, it's unusual to have all your assets in one jurisdiction. So, that's a change from 2006 but it's not unusual for our sector.

I think the second thing is we knew a lot more about the industry in the US. We know a lot more about their cost structure because we have companies operating there, which I think gives us confidence that the allegations around subsidies are just false. So, I think that's a different --

I would say the third thing that's different than 2006 is the BC industry and the Canadian industry in fact along with the federal government through Natural Resources Canada and Forest Innovation and Investment in BC have worked very hard to diversify our markets. We have really made a big push into the Asian market. So, we actually have a more diverse customer base, including about 30% of our

products that are now moved into the Asian market. So, I think that's a third difference from 2006.

Reporter: [Inaudible]?

Yurkovich: Unequivocally, no.

Reporter: Can either of you outline the processes [inaudible] from here?

Wilkinson: The structure of the American process is the US Commerce Department now has 20 days to review the materials that have been received. It's in excess of 400 pages. So, we would expect that they'll take that time to review the documentation received. [Inaudible] the US International Trade Commission has up to 45 days to do its own review and come to its own conclusions. So, you can see how it's going to be a few weeks before the position in the US is clear and in the meantime our legal counsel and the federal government's legal counsel and the industry's legal counsel will be reviewing these materials to determine what our response should be. Nonetheless, we expect to be active in this file in the new year and it looks as if we're going to be into a fairly lengthy exchange on this matter.

Reporter: [Inaudible]?

Wilkinson: Sorry, I didn't quite hear the question but I think the question is are there any discussions going on that might lead to an earlier resolution? The sensible answer to that is we've been working throughout this calendar year closely with the government of Canada and [inaudible] international trade in an approach to the US. There have been limited responses from the US government to date and the filing today effectively changes the landscape so we must prepare for a more extensive engagement with the US government on this file. We'll of course be optimistic about a positive result because our industry and our communities are involved in the softwood lumber business are very strong, very resilient and we believe they are fully competitive in a market environment.

Reporter: I'm curious with Minister Thomson in Japan are we looking to expand softwood exports to that country, to China or to southeast Asia?


Yurkovich: Yes. In fact, I'm also heading to Japan and China. I leave tomorrow as well. That's a big push for us. We have worked very hard, as I mentioned, both in partnership with the government of Canada and the province of BC to really look at expanding our markets for wood products in Asian markets. Of course Japan has been a long time market for BC wood products. It's a very stable market for us but what we have seen is significant growth in the Chinese market and we are targeting additional growth there in multi-story buildings, in infill wall systems and moving up the value chain with our high quality BC wood products.

Reporter: [Inaudible]. Does the potential loss of the TPP affect the potential to expand the softwood lumber trade into Asia?

Wilkinson: The Trans Pacific Partnership or TPP is a draft agreement that was put together between roughly a dozen countries around the Pacific Rim. It did not include China. The extent of our trade in softwood lumber products, particularly with Japan and China, is now so strong and continuing to grow that we don't expect any significant effect from the setback in the TPP to really have any significant role in our continuing efforts to grow our markets in China and Japan. [forr, adv, sss]

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Jim Harrison: Premier Christy Clark will be in Kamloops later today, formally welcoming Peter Milobar as the Liberal candidate in the coming election and expected to visit iTel on Mission Flats to highlight the growing tech sector in the city.

But the Premier first joins us on line. Good morning.

Christy Clark: Good morning.

Harrison: Thanks for taking the time.

Clark: Oh, I'm always happy to talk to you Jim. Thanks for having me.

Harrison: Team Kamloops - you know what you have in Todd Stone in Kamloops South Thompson. Now you've got Peter Milobar running as your candidate in the Kamloops North Thompson. What will he add to the BC Liberal fold and will he potentially maybe be cabinet material?

Clark: Well, I think he's got a fantastic record as mayor. He's got a proven record as a leader. Those are the things that we're looking at. I never get ahead of myself, though, Jim. First we've got to win an election. We've got to earn everybody's votes.

And then if people decide that they want to support Peter and Todd and me in the election, then we'll get thinking about who's going to be in cabinet. But I certainly say Peter's record speaks for itself. Very strong leader.

Harrison: Now, speaking of the election, I'm given to understand that when times are good, when the economy is chugging along pretty well, when there are jobs being created, that it gets tougher for a Liberal government to be re-elected because your own supporters get complacent. Do you agree with that, first of all, and how do you fight that?

Clark: I think - two parts to that. One - I think when the economy is strong, I think that tends to bode well for an incumbent government because we worked really hard to try and grow this economy. We're number one in the country. We've created more jobs than anybody else. Low unemployment. More

people working than ever before. So I think that's - when you go into an election, what I'm going to ask people is, look at our record and judge us based on whether or not you think that we've kept our promises to you.

And my central promise was we wanted to create jobs and economic growth. And I think we've done that. So that part of it is good. But I do think complacency is always a real enemy of, in good times or in pretty good times, because people sort of feel like, well, you know, I mean, maybe it doesn't matter if I get out to vote.

We really need people who care about economic growth to get out and vote because what we know is that people who want to oppose projects, who want to say no to the resource sector, who want to say no to jobs are out in force. And they're frustrated they didn't win last time. They're going - every single one of those people is going to vote to try and make sure we end up with a different kind of government after the next election.

Harrison: Now speaking of putting forward your best foot for the coming election, of course, you're going to have to have a new face for government with so many of your ministers stepping down. Ministers like Terry Lake. When are you going to adjust your cabinet to show us that new face?

Clark: I'm not anxious to do that. I think, for example, Terry has been an amazing Health minister. He just brings real skill to managing it. He's always managed his budget, but at the same time he's making sure the system has the best outcomes in the country. He's also someone who brings real compassion to it.

So I've given this a lot of thought. And I think stability in the system is probably more important than any of the other issues that we're facing. To me, the longer Terry sticks around, the better off we are. I'm not anxious for him to leave.

Harrison: So there's no cabinet shuffle in store this year?

Clark: Well, I don't see one at the moment. By the end of the year, we've added Donna Barnett to our cabinet as the Minister for rural development, which has been a great addition.

But you know, I feel like governments try and change cabinet ministers way too often and we don't let them get good enough at their jobs. I think this cabinet that I've got is really experienced, they've shown how good they are at their jobs, and, you know, if somebody's doing a good job for the people of BC, I think, you know, let them keep doing it.

Harrison: Speaking of Terry Lake, he expressed confidence recently that the second phase of the Royal Inland Hospital redevelopment will proceed to business cases going to the government before the end of the year. Can you be as definitive as he is because he expressed confidence that this will go forward?

Clark: Well, I hope we can find a way. I mean, I know people want us to manage their money thoughtfully, carefully, and so it's going to go through the process. We take these things through the Health ministry and the local health district and then we rip them apart and put them back together and make sure we're doing everything as affordably as we can.

But this is a project that I think Kamloops really needs and so, like Terry, I'm hopeful that we'll find a way to get there. I was a little bit surprised to hear the leader of the opposition, I think on your show, Jim, saying, well, he's not sure that he... He won't commit to having it go ahead... He wants to have a look at the books first.

For heaven's sake, my government has balanced four budgets, we've got a fifth on the way, all of that's been affirmed by international credit rating agencies. I don't know what he needs to look at the books for. He just needs to decide he wants to make a commitment to Kamloops. I, my government, and Terry and Todd, we do have that commitment to the people of Kamloops and we're going to try and find a

way to make this happen.

Harrison: But no guarantees?

Clark: Well, look, it has to go through the process and we're well along the way at the moment. I think it's looking quite positive, I think Terry's confidence is justified.

Harrison: Let's talk about this ICBC dilemma. You were insisting the other day rates will not go up beyond 4.9% under the rate smoothing formula but ICBC now talking about the rates as high as 42% more over the next five years unless they can reign in costs and claims cuts. And Todd Stone, the minister responsible yesterday talked about doubling insurance premiums on high-end vehicles, luxury vehicles. That doesn't seem to cut the mustard in terms of getting ICBC back on its feet.

Clark: Well, ICBC put forward, I think, four scenarios. The worst case scenario was the one you talked about, Jim. The best case was a 2% increase. So, I mean, I think what it shows is these projections that they make are very speculative and so, really, a lot of it depends on the changes that we make at ICBC to try and save money for ratepayers across the board. And there's a lot of things that we can do.

So one of those is, ultimately, not insuring those high-end cars. I mean, for heaven's sake, if somebody's driving a \$450,000 Aston Martin and their door gets just a little ding in it you can't even see, the guy who drives a Honda has to pay \$35,000 for that door to be replaced. It is a burden on every ratepayer across the system. And the number of those cars has grown by 30% in three years.

So those are the kinds of changes that we need to make one by one that are going to help us grind down that number to what we hope will be the lowest scenario. I've said to ICBC, look, we set a maximum rate increase of 4.9% and we are (inaudible) anything above that so let's get down to work, sharpen our pencils, and figure this out because all of the speculation is meaningless. We just have to figure out how we're going to keep this number down for ratepayers.

Harrison: Government is doing more by foregoing its annual dividend from ICBC which Adrian Dix says has amounted to like \$1.2b in recent years. Why just for one year, why not keep ICBC solvent by leaving that money in the corporation?

Clark: Well, certainly, an option for us, you know, I mean we're running in BC now because our economy is so strong because we have more people working and paying taxes than ever in the history of the province, I should say Jim, they're not paying higher taxes, it's just more people paying the lowest taxes in Canada, which is great. That means that we have enough money in the bank of the people that we don't need to take any kind of dividend for all of the citizens who own ICBC back this year. And so we'll see what happens. I mean, ICBC goes way up and way down because the world that they live in is so unpredictable.

They can't predict the weather, they can't predict how many car accidents there are going to be, they can't predict how many lawyers are going to get involved in these disputes in court. So their predictions are, I'm going to say their predictions are almost always wrong, and sometimes the amount of money they have allows the dividends. But I think it is something that we should look at. And we should be looking at, I hope in the future, if we can stay fiscally stable and keep our economy strong, we should be thinking about putting that money not back into ICBC but putting that money back into lower rates every single time.

Harrison: And Premier, the Independent Commission on Tax Competitiveness was recommending a change in the tax structure to make BC more competitive and I think I heard them talking about a value added tax, sounds a lot like the rebirth of the HST. What are your thoughts?

Clark: Well, their recommendation is different from that. I mean, and by the way, when the Finance minister commissioned the group to do this work, he said, by the way, don't come back with a recommendation that we go back to the HST. I made a promise to people of BC that would not even be

on the table in this term of government and it is not on the table. So the valued added tax is a little bit different but we're not moving ahead with that either.

This is the kind of thing that, if we wanted to something like that and accept that recommendation, we would need to spend a lot of time talking to small business, citizens, and really working our way through it. And because I think people feel like their taxed enough and what I'm focused on, in terms of trying to find tax breaks and tax changes, how do we support small businesses and how do we support middle-class people. Those are the two areas of tax that I'm looking at where we can think about lightening the load. Because our economy is really strong, we are getting lots of revenue to government finally, unlike the rest of the country, let's put some of that money back in peoples' pockets if we can do. Let's make sure that British Columbians see a dividend from all of the work that you're doing out there and producing a strong economy.

Harrison: What about their suggestion that, if not a VAT, then maybe removing the PST from business inputs?

Clark: Yeah, I know the machinery and equipment, you know, getting the tax off that. Those are all interesting ideas. We're going to look at them. We're going to spend the time, I think, and we'll investigate them and see how it would play but, really, again, Jim, my focus is on making sure that we are lowering the burden for ordinary people, for middle-class people. If we have room to change taxes and cut taxes, I want to do it for middle-class people and small business first.

Harrison: Affordable housing, you made the announcement again the other day. You're starting to dig into that \$500m affordable housing fund, 5,000 units. How many for Kamloops?

Clark: I don't have a number for you right now, Jim. I think we're going to see that specific number, we'll probably get a chance to talk about that in the next month or so. Part of this is driven by community requests and I know that there has been a huge need and desire in Kamloops for more housing. I know that some of that, you know, people want to focus some of that on youth and youth who are at-risk and I think we also need to focus some of that on senior citizens for sure. You know, making sure that people have a roof over their heads. Housing is becoming expensive everywhere in the province and, when I talk about a dividend from a growing economy, this 5,000 units, I mean, it's the biggest investment any government has ever made in housing at one time, and this is part of that dividend. It's putting a roof over peoples' heads who are working hard everyday. They're out there, some of them at two jobs, and still it's still tough for them to be able to afford to find a place to live.

Harrison: We always ask you about pipelines and we're supposed to be getting a federal decision on the Kinder Morgan proposal by the 19th of December. They still haven't come through on those five conditions or have they?

Clark: You know, the five conditions still haven't been met, although they've made some big moves on the coastal response side. We have fought for BC for a better Coast Guard for five years now and the federal government came through with more Coast Guard response in some areas than we had even asked for. Now, it's still a little bit short. We told them we need at least three tugs up and down our coast, new tugs.

They haven't delivered that yet but I believe that they will. And so I think on the marine response side, this federal government has done a really good job in responding to BC's, you know, probably annoying sometimes, activism on this to make sure our coast is protected. So they've come a long way there. There's a number of other conditions, though, that still haven't been met and, you know, if it is approved, I think two things are going to have to happen. One, the provincial government's going to have to get its environmental assessment concluded and, second, the Prime Minister, I think, is going to have to come out and do some work persuading British Columbians that this is in the national interest.

And that's, I think, there's going to be fair amount of work there because, not so much in Kamloops and Merritt, but for sure on the coast and on Vancouver Island. There are a lot of people who just don't want this, they don't understand why it's in the national interest. It's the PM's job to get out here and sell it people. I think that's going to be a critical part of making it happen.

Harrison: I did want to ask you as well about the Supreme Court of Canada decision on the teachers class sizes and composition, could cost the government up to \$300m a year. Where will that money come from? Do you have to take it from somewhere else in government? Some other service will have to suffer, in order to make that kind of an expenditure or is it going to threaten your future surpluses?

Clark: You know, we have already accumulated a pretty good healthy surplus so I would say, first of all, we put aside already \$100m because we anticipated that this was an outcome so we've already got a third of that potential. I mean, we don't know what the exact number is yet but we've already got \$100m set aside. And now we need to sit down with the union and talk about how we're going to deploy the rest of it and how much more would be deployed. And, you know, again, I'm determined that we won't take it out of other services because our health care system needs strong support. We need to build that hospital, do that second phase in Kamloops. We need to make sure that we're keeping waiting lists down. We also want to lower taxes for people.

But we will figure this out with them and, you know, the thing is, yeah, it's a lot of money but we'll be investing it in kids. That's a pretty good investment in my opinion, in fact, it's probably the most important investment that we can make. I'm glad we got the decision behind us and we can get on with making this investment.

Harrison: Let's squeeze in a final question on LNG, a glimmer of hope for your promised new industry for this province with Woodfibre deciding to go ahead. What about the big players?

Clark: Well, again, first project, got the go-ahead. It's one of the smaller ones but a very good sign that somebody's willing to gamble with the pretty bad market for natural gas at the moment. So that's really great. It puts BC on the map as a natural gas exporter. But, you know, for the bigger players, I was just up in Terrace and Smithers and Kitimat yesterday and, you know, people are pretty hopeful up there and the folks that are running those businesses are still there. It's just really a matter of time.

So, you know, I know there's those folks in the opposition who say, oh, just, you know, just surrender, put up the white flag. Well, I am not a quitter, Jim, I am a determined person and this is, I think, really important for our kids future. If we want to create this new industry and the thousands of high-paying jobs that will come with it, we can't give up. And I'm going to keep at it and we are going to get this industry going. A little slower than we'd hoped because of global market conditions but, if I'm reelected, we're going to get there.

Harrison: Final question, Minister Thomson, we spoke with him this morning, he's on his way later today for a trade mission to Japan and China to try to expand BC's softwood exports. Is that sort of the fallback because we're facing this kind of challenge for our exports to the US, particularly, with Mr Trump in office now?

Clark: And cast your mind back to the last time the softwood lumber agreement hadn't been settled. That was when we really started our big moves into opening up China as a new export market for lumber. And everybody said we couldn't do it, everybody said the Chinese won't want your lumber. Well, guess what, they were wrong. Our exports to Asia now are about 40% of our softwood lumber exports in many months. In China, it's 20%. So we are, you know, here we are again, let's go out, let's get more customers, let's not be so dependent on just the US. I mean, great to have that market but boy are we vulnerable every time this agreement comes up.

So that's what Steve's doing over there with Japan and China and Korea and now we're investing money in developing a market in India as well. We just, you know, I know this, we have diverse

economy and that's important for jobs and a diverse set of customers is important for jobs too. You can't put all your eggs in one basket. I'm hopeful that Steve's going to make some progress there. He's been a great Minister for Forests and I just know how important this is for working people in tons of communities, including Kamloops and Merritt and all across our province. [xrz]

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Clark scrum following meeting with federal ministers on opioid crisis

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Premier Christy Clark: Thanks for spending some time with us, spent over an hour with the Minister of Health, Minister Philpott, and, Minister Goodale, representing Public Safety today and MP Bill Blair was there with us as well. And the reason we are here today is because in BC, so far this year, and we haven't finished the year, there have been 623 deaths from overdose. Sixty percent of those have been because of fentanyl.

And it is a poison being imported into our country that is killing hundreds of children and adults in BC and increasingly it's finding its way right across the country. It's something we have to deal with urgently, we have to save those lives, and we have to stop the growth and this terrible trend in deaths that's coming now across the country.

So very grateful to the ministers for spending as much time with us as they did. My purpose with them was not just to talk about the statistics because those are just numbers. With me today are three women who have lost loved ones to fentanyl and to opioid overdose. Each one of them took the time to tell their personal story about how it's changed their lives forever. And as Leslie said, has said many times, she isn't doing this for her son who she's lost, she's doing this for our sons.

We're also joined by a representative of the BC Ambulance Services who's been dealing with this daily. Half the calls that they got yesterday from her four ambulance offices were to deal with overdoses in the City of Vancouver. It's a crisis for us in our province and it's a crisis coming to a street corner near you if we don't deal with it urgently on a national basis.

Doctor Evan Wood is also with us today. He's Canada's leading thinker on opioids and overdoses. He's heading up our joint task force that brings together law enforcement and health officials to put together a coordinated response to this crisis. Doctor Terry Lake is with us, our Health minister. Terry has declared a public health emergency with respect to opioid overdoses in our province. We're the only province to have done so so far I think. And I'd certainly welcome any of your questions on this for myself or anyone else who's with me and, again, I really appreciate you all coming today.

Reporter: Premier Clark do you think the federal government has moved quickly enough on this and do you think the response would have been the same if this was happening elsewhere in Canada? In Ontario for instance?

Premier Clark: The comparison with Ontario would be, given the population difference, would be almost 2,000 deaths from it already in Ontario, about 623 in BC. So it would be a pretty significant number, it would be pretty noticeable. I think that BC has always suffered from being the province that is farthest away from the decision making in Canada but, having said that, this is a crisis that has caught everybody by surprise and federal Health Minister Philpott deserves a lot of credit for moving really quickly to make Naloxone available without a prescription, that has allowed us to save - we think, 3,000 lives so far in BC this year.

So it is a complicated problem, it requires law enforcement, health officials, border officials to all work together with a coordinated response so I was really encouraged today by the interest that the ministers have shown and I think that they really did understand, and do understand the urgency of dealing with this.

Reporter: Just to follow up on the public safety side then, did you hear anything reassuring from the public safety

minister, particularly on the areas of [inaudible] the fact that this is coming in, it is being imported in, the number of officers, is the emphasis there to stop it from getting in? [inaudible]

Premier Clark: Well I think they are, yes. Minister Goodale walked out with a... I think he was able to put a human face on the problem that we are facing but I don't think he walked in, I think he knew exactly what we are dealing with when he walked in, in terms of where we need to focus. So I hope that we have added a little bit to that discussion with him. I think he does understand how vitally serious this is. There is a third element, there are the health issues that we can deal with together, there is the law enforcement - the border control issues - the third is a diplomatic effort.

So I also, hope to be working with Minister Dion on coming to some agreement with China, which is the major source country of fentanyl, just as the Americans have done on an agreement that will get them focused on controlling the entry of this drug to our country. At the moment, the Americans have an agreement with China. China has put a lot of focus on that. We do not have an agreement between our two countries. I think that work has begun but I intend to have a direct conversation with Mr Dion about that because it needs to be a multi-pronged effort.

Reporter: Specifically with the issue of over prescribing opioids. This has been something that has been raised by a number of people in the medical community now for years, I am just wondering, to what extent do you think that, that is going to actually be tackled at the summit that is starting tomorrow which happens to be co-chaired by two doctors.

Premier Clark: Yes, I think, first, it's important to differentiate. When we talk about fentanyl, we're talking about an illegal drug. We're talking about illicit drug use and it's finding its way into cocaine, into marijuana, it's finding its way into heroin, people who are otherwise recreational drug users are dying, accidentally, not buying fentanyl, they're just getting it in other drugs. But, often though, people are finding their way to fentanyl because they've become addicted to oxycotin and other opioids that have been prescribed to them. So, yes, I think that they're linked because, if people don't get addicted to opioids that are prescribed by doctors, they're less likely to find their way into the illicit market looking for some way to try and stop the withdrawal. And so I think the work that's going to happen over the next couple of days around prescription drugs and prescribing is going to be really vital.

Reporter: On oxy, for example, the prescription rates over the last ten years, they've just ballooned. What is behind this?

Premier Clark: Well, I mean, I think our rates in BC, correct me if I'm wrong Terry, are much better than the rest of the country, in terms of prescription and over-prescription. Do you want to speak to that?

Terry Lake: There's no question that, since the 90s, there's been an over reliance on opioids for pain medication, untreated cancer pain, for instance, was recognized as an issue. But there's no doubt that pharmaceutical companies pushed prescribers in this direction. Evan is leading efforts on prescribing practices, best practices, that we are embracing in BC and I think will be embraced across the country. So I think the medical community understands the issue and we need to look at alternatives to opioids for pain medication and, when we turn to opioids, which can be highly effective for pain, we need to have an awareness in terms of the duration and the potential harms and educate people much more than we have been doing. But I think that effort really is underway in BC and I think there's a genuine effort across the country as well.

Reporter: (Inaudible) that are using these opioids for chronic pain are concerned that, as these agreements with the federal government and other provinces start to perhaps reduce or restrict their access to some of these drugs, they may start turning to some of the more illicit sources. So this is of course where oxycotin was limited then fentanyl started to spring up. Is there another concern that, if that isn't looked at, if we start looking at one section of the problem, there could be more that pop up?

Lake: Absolutely. These are multi-factorial problems and we have to always be concerned about unintended consequences of taking what we perceive to be the right action. So Leslie can probably speak to that better than anyone because her son had that experience. You know, we need to be very thoughtful with the physician

community that we understand the potential unintended consequences... Maybe, Leslie, want to speak to that?

Leslie McBain: My son was 25 when he died of complications of an opioid addiction and that addiction began with oxycodone prescribed by the family doctor for a soft tissue back injury that he had. The doctor was not educated in opioid prescription. He prescribed huge quantities of it more and more for about eight months until Jordan was firmly, firmly, addicted and then the doctor essentially cut him off from the drug without realizing the consequences of that. Jordan went into detox with our help and came out clean of the drug but not clean of the need for a drug.

He tried to stave off withdrawal by taking other drugs that had been prescribed to him by other doctors. He doctor shopped. And the combination that he took to try and.... Withdrawal, let me tell you, is not pretty, it's painful and just it's very debilitating. Anyway, he took a combination of drugs and that combination killed him. So his ultimate demise was certainly the oxycodone addiction, also not finding enough recovery options, well, actually any recovery options where we were at that time. So, yeah, this is the first time story.

Reporter: What kind of commitments are you hoping to hear from the federal government and she's mentioned that it's not a time to talk about money but does there have to be a discussion about money to deal with this problem?

Premier Clark: There does. Now, we are down about 30%, in terms of RCMP drug enforcement in BC. That's really important. We cannot... We're spending about \$70m of provincial money on, a lot of it, drug-related gang activity but we can't fill that gap all on our own so we do need to make sure that we're up to where we should be when it comes to RCMP resources. We are asking for the federal government to ban pill presses across the country. We're asking for more capacity, for CBSA to be able to check and search and seize at the border.

We've actually... We are buying them, the province is buying the border officers a scanner so that we can get them. But they're going to need more than one from the federal government. On the public safety side there are a range of things and on the health side, I think, much of that work is already underway as well. So, you know, I guess the other thing people should know is fentanyl is deadly. We are now finding car fentanyl across the country. It's 10,000 stronger than fentanyl. It is the drug that's used by veterinarians to sedate elephants. They recently intercepted a million lethal doses of car fentanyl on the way to Calgary. That's what we're dealing with today and we need boots on the ground.

Reporter: Explain why a national tracking program on fentanyl deaths is vital?

Premier Clark: Yes, I mean it helps.... Well, first of all, it helps us map the movement of the drug, helps us catch the people who are distributing it. It also helps us educate first line responders and physicians and hospitals in how to deal with the deaths or the overdoses when they happen. It helps local communities be better prepared. So, you know, for example, we've given out kits, naloxone kits, 12,000 of them in BC. And, you know, we know where these deaths and overdoses are most likely to happen. We're trying to make sure that we're positioning our first line responders in those areas with the knowledge and the education that they need to be able to deploy them. And so understanding that map right across the country is important from a health perspective and it's also important from a public safety perspective.

Reporter: Have you received any commitments from the federal government on that?

Premier Clark: Well, we're working with them on it at this point. You know, really, the challenge that we have is that this is a problem where BC's been the frontline of it. We are the closest to China and so we've really been dealing with it unfolding locally. But we can't, as it moves across the country, we can't deal with it on a province by province basis, it has to be a national strategy.

And, you know, with BC, people like Dr Wood have done a fantastic job of really leading the way and showing what we should be doing. I think we've got a pretty good model in BC but we're still catching up. And if this was any other drug, you know, if this was any other toxic substance, coming into our country from a foreign nation from a foreign land that was killing hundreds of our children, this response would have been a lot quicker at all levels of government, the province included. But because it's a drug and we're dealing with drug addiction, we've been too

slow. Now, we've done, I think, we've put a lot of effort in and we're catching up in BC but we don't want other provinces to find themselves in the same situation. (Inaudible) I say provinces, we don't want other mothers and sisters and aunts to find themselves in the same situation that we're seeing in BC by the hundreds, by the thousands.

Reporter: I don't anyone on the spot but the other family members, I mean, feel free to say yes or no, but do you want to share your experience with us in the sense that is there anything that the politicians are getting or not getting, just feel free to (inaudible).

Judy Robertson: My name is Judy Robertson. I'm with an organization called from Grief to Action. I'm lucky in that my 23-year-old step son is still alive. I don't want to be a member of Leslie's club. We need holistic care, we need to be talking to another, we need to be working collaboratively. It's in all neighbourhoods, it's in all walks of life, you don't know whether the person standing next to you has a family member who's suffering or not. So we really need to be working together and meetings like this are invaluable for everybody. I mean, it could be your child, it could be your sister's child.

Reporter: (Inaudible) people are in denial about who's using?

Robertson: Absolutely, education's huge. Physicians and first responders are overwhelmed, families don't know where to go. They don't know the questions to ask. If I knew now what I know now seven years ago, I think, we would be in a very different place. As I said, my stepson is still alive and I remain ever hopeful.

Reporter: Premier Clark, I have a question from CTV friends in BC. Of course, the province declared a public health emergency earlier this year due to the overdose crisis. Latest stats, though, show that there's a death rate that's stabilizing. So how can we expect the federal attention to this overdose crisis in BC to help reduce those number of deaths?

Premier Clark: Oh, you mean, if what the province is doing on its own is working, why should the federal government? Is that the question?

Reporter: It's a question from a colleague but that's what it sounds like.

Premier Clark: Well, I want to know who that colleague is because.

Reporter: Are they stabilizing? I know that you're saying it's a record number of deaths.

Premier Clark: Yes, it looks like the work that we're doing is starting to have some success, absolutely. But stable used to be 200 to 250 deaths annually. It was a pretty flatline for a long time, in terms of opioid overdoses, which was way too many. But, if we're stabilizing at 600 or 700 a year that is way, way, too high. So the challenge is... If statistics bear themselves out and we end up, you know, we are stabilizing, that is the result of the work of these women, our first responders, physicians, our health officials, and our law enforcement officials. But we have to do better than stabilizing.

Reporter: What do you think federal help can do? I mean, how much more can the help of the federal government do to alleviate this issue?

Premier Clark: Well, we can't, provinces can't do it on our own because we need more boots on the ground from law enforcement, absolutely. Drug enforcement is a federal responsibility and we're 30% below in terms of staffing levels in BC. So we need that to come up. We need the CBSA to be able to.... They need more powers and the equipment necessary to be able to inspect packages that are coming into the country and we need those diplomatic efforts. So there's a range of things that only the federal government can do.

Provincially, there's a lot more that we need to continue to do as well so the work that these women and Dr Wood are doing includes how do we support wraparound care better for people who find themselves in a hospital? There have been 5,000 non-fatal overdoses treated at St Paul's Hospital alone this year. And they're non-fatal because those people made it to the hospital before they died, 5,000 at one hospital in BC. We have to make sure

that when those people are saved and they find their way out of the hospital that they are surrounded by a community of care because, otherwise, what happens is they find their way back to the hospital or, worse, somebody finds them dead in a bath tub.

Reporter: Is there any (inaudible) to take the naloxone and make it in more place, make it mandatory, in rehab centres for instance?

Premier Clark: Yes, the availability of naloxone is really important. So one of the things that we're doing in BC, for example, is, if you have a family member who is addicted and at risk of an overdose, you can go in and get a kit that can help you save that person's life. But, yes, those kits need to be more available and that's something that we've been really focused on that Dr Wood has been helping advise us on.

I don't know, do you want to speak to this Marilyn? Just about the urgency of providing that intervention with naloxone and you see out in the streets?

Marilyn Oberg: I think the messaging that we're needing to get out there is that naloxone is a first-aid kit. It's a valuable tool but it's not the only tool that you require. You require 9-1-1. We're having a lot of instances where people are bypassing 9-1-1 because they want to take care of it themselves. The issue about naloxone is that naloxone, fentanyl will cause you to stop breathing. So, in stopping breathing, you need a breath, you need somebody to ventilate you. So naloxone is meant to be used as the first-aid that you use and you wait for the sirens to come to you. You've got about 15 or 20 minutes with naloxone being effective.

Reporter: This is question for Dr Wood but, specifically, you know, people get the idea that we're talking about people using illicit drugs, for example, but, you know, there have been a number of health care professionals that have pointed out that people taking drugs like oxy, for example, as prescribed, can also result in death. Is that true, people just taking drugs, as prescribed by their doctor, may end up in a very difficult situation?

Evan Wood: Yeah, absolutely, and I think that's been surveillance elsewhere in Canada, particularly Ontario, has been that prescriptions oftentimes from physicians, certainly, a drug from a pharmacy, not a drug dealer, sometimes those pills are getting sold on the street. But even taken as prescribed and certainly that's one of the key outcomes that we hope to see from the summit tomorrow and from our discussions earlier today is how toxic opioid drugs can be. So BC has a complicated and unique situation. We're here to tell the federal ministers and certainly it will be part of our conversation tomorrow the uniqueness of fentanyl. But opioid medications have a role in health care but they've been overused and a lot of harm has come from the prescribing. Does that answer your question?

Reporter: Wondering if the other family member, if you're okay with it, would you mind coming forward and just telling us who you are and what your story is and what message you gave to the ministers?

Michaela (sp): Yeah, for sure, so my name is Michaela and I am in abstinence-based recovery. I have lost my best friend and my boyfriend to fatal overdoses. And I think like it's important that recovery is more known because it's not known, right? There's a lot of people in Canada who are in recovery from addiction, abstinence-based recovery, and it's not known, right? It's hidden, right, because there's such a stigma around it and I think that it needs to be more known and that people who are using drugs need to know that help is there and people do recover.

Reporter: How old are you?

Michaela: Twenty five.

Unidentified speaker: Michaela, do you want to tell the story about your friend in Vancouver, do you feel comfortable telling that?

Michaela: No.

Reporter: How do you feel that the meeting with the ministers went? What did they say to you if you want to

share that or how did you feel overall having that chance to meet with three cabinet ministers?

Michaela: I think it's really important that they saw people with personal stories and how it's personally affecting us because, like, stats are one thing but to see how it is like personally affecting a person and how it affects their everyday life is really beneficial so I think it went very well.

Reporter: When did you first take, what were you addicted to, and when did you first take it?

Michaela: I started out using when I was 13 and I started drinking with my friends in high school and it escalated from there and it went to harder and harder drugs and different methods of using.

Premier Clark: And Michaela was a great athlete, right?

Michaela: Yes.

Premier Clark: I think part of the lesson that Michaela left with the ministers is that we stigmatize drug use and addiction and almost as a way of protecting ourselves from the knowledge that it could happen to any of us. She was a provincial, almost a national-level athlete, it could happen to her, it could happen to any of our children.

Michaela: Yeah, and I just want to say like I work in a treatment centre now where I see like people coming in from all walks of life, right, like from lawyers to pilots to doctors. Right, like it can affect anybody.

Reporter: Because, I mean, drug use and we all know people who have used and what do you say to people when drug use now is coming with a death penalty? Like it's just such an incredible situation that fentanyl (inaudible), like how does that affect (inaudible)?

Michaela: Well, I think, speaking for myself, like when I was actively using like I didn't think it was ever going to happen to me, right? But being on the other side of it now and being in recovery and working with people who are in addiction, you know, especially people that are affected by it so personally, like, you can feel it right, you can see it. But I mean there's not much you can say, it's right there in front of people right?

Reporter: What sports did you play or sport and at what age did the drugs end up stopping that endeavour?

Michaela: So I really excelled in track and soccer and when I was in grade 12, so I was 18, is when I stopped playing and running.

Reporter: So several years while you were using drugs, you were actually still a top athlete. How did you manage that?

Michaela: I don't know. I was extremely busy.

Reporter: Do you think the politicians care?

Michaela: I think that it's kind of hard to understand unless you've lived it, I do, but I think that people can have compassion about it and can help for sure. Yeah, I think peoples' stories need to be shared.

Reporter: Where did you go to high school?

Michaela: Swift Current, Saskatchewan. I live in Victoria now.

Premier Clark: The last message I would share is something that Leslie and I talked about, or maybe it was Judy and I, the fact that, you know, I'm 51, I graduated from high school in 1983, in the suburbs, and there were a lot of drugs around. And there were a lot of people my age with kids who still use drugs, they smoke pot after a party, you know, it's becoming increasingly socially acceptable.

And what parents need to realize is that the drugs that their children may come across are likely to be deadly. This is not the same world that people from the 60s and 70s and 80s grew up in. And parents need to have those

conversations with their children because permissiveness, this increasing kind of societal acceptance of drug use, is part of what is making these hundreds and hundreds of numbers add up, in terms of the deaths that we see. And so education is really important and parents having those conversations with their children is the first and most important line of defence. So.

Reporter: Has this experience made you wonder about this government's plan to legalize marijuana?

Premier Clark: No, you know, I think that regulating marijuana is even more important now. When we're finding fentanyl in marijuana, Vancouver police did a major seizure, they found cocaine with fentanyl, heroin with fentanyl, methamphetamine with fentanyl and marijuana with fentanyl. And so one of my concerns with marijuana has always been that people don't know what they're getting in their product. Now, this adds a whole new layer of urgency to that regulation, which is why it was important that Mr Blair was at the meeting for us today. So.

Reporter: (Inaudible) standing in the way at all of the solutions?

Premier Clark: Well, that's a good question that I can't answer.

Lake: I don't think so. I think that as policy makers we understand the issue. You know, we rely on evidence and we rely on people like Dr Wood to provide that evidence to us. We work closely with the College of Physicians and Surgeons. There is no room for lobbying to create societal harms. I think all of us understand that. I met with our group of health ministers from provinces and territories and our federal minister just recently, we all understand that. So we know that that pharmaceutical industry is an important industry and has many benefits to Canadians, there's no question about that. But it has to be evidence-based and politicians more and more have to take that view that we use the evidence to guide our policy and, in BC, I'd like to think that we are doing that.

Premier Clark: Anything else?

Reporter: Also from a BC colleague, Trump mentioning softwood lumber and the transition out. Are you worried at all about where this issue might go under President Trump?

Premier Clark: Well, we're attentive to it. Certainly, our trade relationship with the US could be on a very different footing from a lot of different perspectives but, you know, the thing about Donald Trump is he talked to Americans about jobs and affordability. One of the things that we also know is that if Canadian softwood doesn't come into the US, the price of housing goes way through the roof. So, if he's a president that decides he wants to keep affordability, housing affordability, within the reach of average Americans, if he's a president who decides he wants to keep job growth going because residential construction is a big part of that in the US economy, I think we'll have an easier path on softwood than we might otherwise. But it remains to be seen, we're all watching closely.

Reporter: We've heard that here in Ottawa. How much are Canadian politicians now having to get out and dust off their textbooks and realize you've got to argue that you're going to hurt yourself if you impose protectionist measures on us?

Premier Clark: This has always been our argument with softwood, though. I mean, we took out frontpage ads in probably the New York Times back in the day, the last time we negotiated this about the impact on the construction industry and the cost of housing in the US. So that's always been our argument with them because I know when you're negotiating the best way to get a deal is to point out how your solution will be good for everybody at the table. So that's going to be part of our persuasive power.

Reporter: Here's one from a colleague, I'll even identify him, Rob Shaw. But they're writing a story on the politics of the Supreme Court's decision on teachers and they're just wondering going into this election how are you approaching this challenge, this incredible challenge, to respond to this Supreme Court decision?

Premier Clark: Well, I guess I would characterize it as an opportunity for us because we've now finally concluded 15 years of court battles on this, thank goodness. We've got some certainty. We negotiated the longest collective agreement in BC's history with the teachers, six years, and when we did that we recognized this could have been

the outcome. So in the agreement we said, if the court rules to open up these two clauses, the labour peace we've achieved will be undisturbed. So we did foresee this outcome and we protected students against any labour disruption as a result.

So that was really important. We also put aside \$100m into a teacher improvement fund to address what we thought might be an outcome here. Now we've just got to sit down with the teachers union and figure out how we deploy more resources to have the right class sizes and enough special needs teachers in classrooms. And I know people say that's going to be expensive, best investment we can make. It is the best investment, smartest investment, that we can make. So I'm glad we're getting on with it and we'll sit down and negotiate those two clauses and I think it's going to be a great outcome for kids.

Reporter: Are you meeting with the Prime Minister at all, I guess he's not here, but any of his officials to talk about the health accord, the first ministers meeting is coming up three weeks today. Where is that at?

Premier Clark: We are focused today on the fight against opioid addiction in BC and fentanyl and putting a real human face on that from the people who deal with it as first responders, the people who live with it with their loved ones, and I'm a big believer that you don't get anything done unless you focus singularly on it so that's what we're doing here today. [sss, pcjc, hlth, fin, jtst, msd]

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And ditto for today's event with ed john.

Thank you.

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Speech

Clark - West Kelowna Memorial Service

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Premier Christy Clark: So can I make a statement before I refuse to answer any of your questions? That's what Ronald Reagan so memorably said once.

Reporter: Do we need to report it?

Clark: I think that's the best [inaudible] of all time. So can I say something about the day today?

Reporter: Yes, please.

Clark: Today, here it was, packed at the arena yet again — I think, further proof that Canadians aren't caring less about this. Canadians are caring more and more about the sacrifice that men and women made. The thing is, I think people here would tell you this is a great country, and we're a great country because of our values. And we've been able to preserve those values because men and women have gone to war and fought for them.

Many of them have given their lives. So today is about remembering them and what their sacrifice preserved for us, and that's the rights that we celebrate in Canada — freedom, of democracy, of peaceful co-existence despite our disagreements. We should be very proud today.

Reporter: A lot of people that I've spoken to over the last few days are still feeling really awful about what happened in the US election. I mean, physically sick in some cases. Is there anything you can say that can make people feel better this week?

Clark: You know what I would say is I think after the election, we started to see, very suddenly, a very dramatically different Donald Trump. And I am always really hopeful that everyone rises to the occasion of leadership. And I hope he has that in him, and I think he will — I hope he will.

I'd also say, too, remember, American presidents don't have the power to do everything. They have the power to persuade. He has a Congress. He has a Senate. He has governors across the US. He'll be having to deal with them, as well. So I think all of that will be a moderating influence.

The other thing I do know is elections. Elections are hard-fought affairs. Sometimes you get to the end of an election, and we're at a peak of emotion. It's almost never as bad as you think it's going to be afterwards. I would say that.

But I guess the only other thing I'd say is the day after the election, I talked to the governor of Washington state, the new governor of Oregon, and we got a chance to talk about what we can build all three — two states and BC together — to create jobs in our region. We've got more in common with Washington state, probably, than we do with just about any other province in this country. So let's get on with it. Let's build it regardless of what happens at the national level.

Reporter: There was this ruling regarding the teachers.

Clark: Yes.

Reporter: Your thoughts?

Clark: Well, I'm glad the case is over and we can down to the work of negotiating the two clauses that are there. The thing that we have always agreed on is we need to make sure that class sizes are the right size and that there

are enough special needs teachers in classrooms to support kids.

So we've gotten a start on that with a \$100m fund that we established last year. And we knew that this was a possible outcome. So we're ready to sit down, negotiate that. And you know, we all want to put more special needs teachers in classrooms. We all want to make sure that classes are the right size for kids. So I'm excited about that possibility we've got ahead of us.

The other thing, though, I think parents should know, is that we negotiated a six-year agreement with teachers. It's the longest labour agreement in the history of the province with teachers. All of that remains in place. Classes won't be disrupted. I think parents and kids should rest easy that this court decision means we're going to sit down and talk about two really important clauses in the contract. But the contract stays in place – labour peace stays in place.

Reporter: This could cost taxpayers \$300m a year.

Clark: Well, we've already gotten started on \$100m in terms of the fund that we set aside. We knew when we negotiated this longest agreement in history that this could happen. We provided for that in the contract. We don't know how much it's going to cost, but I think investing in kids is a good investment, and making sure that our classes are the right size, that there are enough special needs teachers – that's a good investment.

Reporter: When do you expect to see more teachers in the classroom? This year? Next year?

Clark: You know, we're going to sit down and negotiate. The \$100m fund that we've already set up is already delivering a lot more teachers and teachers' assistants into classrooms. So we're going to sit down and talk to the teachers' union about how we want to make it happen, how do we want to do it together.

And I think that's a really important part of this because since we negotiated this six-year agreement, we've had a real change in the relationship, where between government and the teachers' union, we're sitting down and we're talking about kids. We're talking about curriculum, and we're talking about training. All those things really matter to both of us because we've got labour peace. This will be the same.

Reporter: The NDP is characterizing this as a generation of kids having gone through underfunded classrooms. How would you respond to that?

Clark: The NDP have a very political agenda they are always pursuing. We are putting more money into education per child today in BC than we ever have in history, and we are getting better outcomes all the time – higher graduation rates, kids that are doing better in math and English in this province than almost anywhere else in the world. We've got great outcomes. But we're not there yet. Eight-four percent of kids graduate. That's one of the biggest numbers we've ever had. What about that other 16%? We've got to find a way to meet their needs, too.

We are doing really well, and I think results speak for themselves. But we aren't finished. We have a lot more to do, and this court decision will give us the chance to sit down with the teachers' union and talk about how we do it.

Reporter: There is a fear among some school boards that the costs of this will be downloaded to them, that they'll have to find other ways to cut. Has that been decided yet?

Clark: No. The answer is they shouldn't worry about that. That's my shortest answer so far! Anything else? Did I answer your questions?

Reporter: Yes.

Clark: Well, next time I'm not going to answer any questions! [pcjc, zpz, edu, jtst, fin]

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Media Availability

Clark - Pacific Autism Family Network's new facility opening
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Premier Christy Clark: Well thank you very much and I thank you to Serg and Wendy [inaudible] you must be incredibly proud of your children and how unbelievably determined they are to do good in the world. You raised them right.

So I am really honoured to be here today at the Pacific Autism Family Network's GoodLife Fitness Autism Hub. This is an example of what happens when we decide to do something together.

When determined people decide they want to make a difference and mean, Serg and Wendy and I mean Patch and Silken, and all of the members of the autism community who are here today who for ten long years have [inaudible] to change autism services in BC and not only here but as you have gone along, set an example for the entire world, in doing something that no one else in the world has done, in this unique facility. It is an example of determination and it is an example of what the difference that we make when we all come together.

Thank you to our federal government for making a substantial contribution to this facility. Thank you to the City of Richmond for hosting it as well and for our part, Wendy came to me 3,200 days ago and I wasn't even in government at the time and said, I need your help to try and make a change for children with autism, people with autism.

And I remember at the time, thinking, I wanted to help, I tried to help, we did a little bit together but it wasn't until I got back into politics and into government in 2011 that we were really able to get to work, so the \$20m gift from the people of BC to support this facility is something that I am honoured to be a part of giving but doing it on behalf of all the people, the taxpayers of this province, because I know you want to know that your money gets spent well and that it gets spent on people who need it. That your money goes to support people who need a little bit of help because in a society that is worthy we are surely defined by how well we look after those who need a little bit of help. And this organization, this facility meets that gold standard like almost no where else in the world.

I am so proud to be a very small part of this and so proud to see all of you who have been such a very big part of creating something unique for the world and we have all done it together.

Media Q&A

Simon: Why are those one [inaudible] so different shapes and [inaudible] I can make out very subtle shades of [inaudible]?

Premier Christy Clark: Interesting. You're right, because those are more gold and those are more yellow. And I don't know if that's because the light is different or because maybe there was a difference in the way that was printed. They are supposed to be exactly the same. Simon, what we can do after is we can come up and we can have a look at them. Maybe move them a little bit out of the light and get them together and see if when they're in the same light they're a different colour or the same colour? Okay? Nice. That was a good catch Simon.

Reporter: Premier, I'm genuinely touched by what's going on here today and I'm doing my best to promote it on Twitter. I have to ask you about the other thing.

Clark: You bet.

Reporter: I have to catch a flight. If polls are accurate, probably 90% of the people in this room are fairly horrified about what happened in the US election last night. You also were critical of president-elect Trump over his

comments about women. We know he's an ardent protectionist. I'm just wondering, how concerned are you about your province's interests, our province's interest, especially in the area of trade and softwood lumber etc.?

Clark: Well, first Peter, I would say it's funny that the media has to learn this lesson again, and again, and again. The polls are never right. The people are right, the voters are right and until the voters have done that giant poll on election day, you never know what is actually happening out there. In answer to the rest of the question, I'm glad the election is over. I think it was an ugly, terrible affair and I don't think it's done much to raise the level of public discourse on civic issues. So I'm glad it's done and over with.

Now there's a winner and I think our job, my job as the leader in British Columbia is to work with the winner to try and make sure that we are getting the best deal for BC workers and BC families that we can. That means on softwood, for example, making sure that we get a deal that works for our province and, you know, on all of the trade issues -- NAFTA for example -- the free trade agreement profoundly changed Canada's economy for the better. We want to make sure that that stays in place.

Remember, a president also works with his or her congress, and his or her senate, and so I'm sure that president-elect Trump will be reflecting the views of all of those people who have been elected in this campaign, not just himself, because it's a complicated system where consensus is always demanded.

Reporter: As a follow-up, obviously, you have to finesse this answer but how do you feel about the fact that the woman who had the first chance to become the first female president in US history fell short? Do you have sort of a personal disappointment?

Clark: I think that one of the good things that came of it is that women, young women, around the world got to see that women are allowed and encouraged to fight for the most important office in the land. That's the first time that it's ever happened in the United States in a major political party. I think that was a win, in and of itself. I think that watching the way the whole thing played out was a little dispiriting, more than a little dispiriting for a lot of women, and especially young women who were watching it. I also think, though, that you can't second-guess the voters. The people of the United States chose a winner. They chose him. As Canadians, they are our most important friend in the world, and we need to find a way to work with him, and we will, as we will with any leader in the United States.

Reporter: I've got a similar question to Peter's. After this campaign, after we see what happened in Alberta yesterday with two female candidates dropping out of the leadership race, what do you have to say to young women and girls who might have political aspirations?

Clark: I would say look at our government here in British Columbia. Almost half our cabinet is women, the Premier is a woman, the Speaker is a woman, the Lieutenant Governor is a woman, caucus chair is a woman. Some of the most powerful posts in our government are held by women cabinet ministers. Our Minister of International Trade, our Minister of Social Development, our Attorney General -- our Minister of Justice, our Minister of the Environment, all of who are here today.

I would say to young women, 'If you want to be successful as a woman in British Columbia the examples abound'. But I would also say to young women, don't get dispirited because if we don't end up with more women around the table we will never change the outcome forever. This period in British Columbia where so many women are playing such important roles in government will be a blip if young women don't decide that they want to step up and run for election and really decide they want to take it on. We need young women to change that.

And you know what else I would say is? I don't think that women and men care about different things. I think we all care, men and women all care about autism. We all care about child care. We all care about education. We all care about jobs. We all care about taxes.

The difference is that we bring absolutely different experiences to the table. It is women who are much more likely to be home when your son or daughter comes home from school having been bullied for the first time. It is women who are much more likely to be caring for and singing to sleep a parent with dementia, over many, many months when they're ill.

That collective set of experiences that we bring to the table needs to be there and it won't be there if we don't run for office. Sometimes we win, and sometimes we lose. That's the reality of politics, but that shouldn't scare any young women from getting into it.

Reporter: Premier, how much enthusiasm do you have to negotiate with an administration that is run by somebody who has clearly shown himself to be a misogynist, and sexist, and has basically made light of sexual assault? That must be demoralizing.

Clark: I am going to work with whoever the Americans choose. That's my job. It won't do workers in logging communities — forest-based communities — any good to have the Premier of their province fighting with and insulting the president of our partner's country. We are going to find a way to work together, for BC workers, for BC communities.

This is the most important trade relationship we have anywhere in the world, and I am determined to make it work, because this is who Americans elected. I'm going to respect that, and I'm going to find a way to make sure we are fighting for BC and putting BC's interests first in all the discussions we have. That's my job.

Reporter: Local business owners say they're concerned about the possible impact of a Trump presidency on BC exports. What can you say to reassure them?

Clark: We have an American president has been elected, so have governors all across the States, so has a new Senate and so has a Congress. Every one of them has enormous influence in determining the trade relationship. It's not as simple as looking at one person. I think we have to look at all of them. There are a lot of people in the United States who are committed to free trade, who are committed to a strong relationship to Canada. So I would say let's stay calm and carry on. I don't know, first of all, if we have any other choice, but also when you look at the reality of it, there's lots of reason to be hopeful. There are still a lot of free traders in the United States who know that free trade with Canada has been great for their economy too. It's created thousands and thousands of jobs in British Columbia, and in Canada, and it's done exactly the same thing south of the border. And we all have an interest in keeping jobs going.

Reporter: Hi Premier. Circling back to the softwood lumber, the Canadian side really wanted to renegotiate the deal before this election. That didn't happen. How concerned are you about a deal given president-elect Trump's really protectionist rhetoric along the campaign trail?

Clark: I don't know, I've never heard him talk about softwood lumber particularly. I think the reality is, the softwood lumber agreement is vitally important for British Columbia, it's very important for Canada, and it's not really central to most of the American economic interests. So I think now, the good news is we have stability. We have a candidate chosen, we have a Senate and a House of Representatives that's been chosen. I think that's the good news, that we're moving into a period of stability.

I think what we've observed at the table with the Americans is that the problem was, they didn't know what was going to happen next in terms of who was going to be leading their government. Everybody's attention was consumed in the election. That's behind us now. I think now we have a chance to really focus. I haven't seen any signs, in the last couple of days, or the last few hours even, that we're going to see a change of strategy at the table. I don't know that softwood lumber is something that is particularly important to this new president.

Reporter: In your earlier statement today you congratulated the president-elect and the governor to the north and south. Is that a strategy? Working with the governors of Washington, Alaska perhaps?

Clark: You bet. I always say, I think we have more in common, if you live in British Columbia, especially if you live in this southwestern corner of British Columbia, with Washington State, than we do with many, many cities across Canada, certainly more than we do with Toronto, or Ottawa, or Montreal.

We should be building on that cultural connection that we have with Washington State and California and Oregon, which we really are when it comes to fighting climate change, and harmonizing our regulations; making sure that

we have an open border for trade; building relationships between our universities, and our tech communities, which we've begun to do. That is a really vitally important part of our relationship, and growing our economy. I'm a big believer that we should be focused on state governments, especially up and down the west coast, where we share so much in common and where we share borders, and where really we share family across those borders. Thanks everybody.

Thank you very much!

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STATEMENT

Premier's statement on elections in the United States

VICTORIA - Premier Christy Clark has issued the following statement following yesterday's elections in the United States of America:

"On behalf of British Columbia, I would like to congratulate President-elect Donald J. Trump, as well as Governor Jay Inslee in Washington State, Senator Lisa Murkowski in Alaska, and everyone else who pursued elected office.

"The United States is a close friend and partner of British Columbia. Alongside the Government of Canada, we will work diligently and with determination to ensure we protect and grow the relationship that is crucial to working families in our province on issues like free trade and a new softwood lumber agreement.

"As well, we should recognize Secretary Hillary Clinton's historic run. For the first time, a woman has contested the presidency for one of the two major political parties - a significant and important signal to the millions of women and girls around the globe who saw it happen, in real time."

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Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX

From: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2016 12:17 PM
To: De Wit, Antoinette PREM:EX; Mills, Shane PREM:EX
Subject: RE: Good job

This is great feedback, thank you Netty

From: De Wit, Antoinette PREM:EX
Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2016 11:37 AM
To: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX; Mills, Shane PREM:EX
Subject: FW: Good job

Here is an example of what you asked me for earlier today.

From: De Wit, Antoinette PREM:EX
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2016 1:23 PM

Subject: FW: Good job

I will ack/thank this guy; please share with PCC during a quiet time in the van ...thanks Adam.

From: Clark.MLA, Christy [<mailto:Christy.Clark.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2016 11:48 AM
To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX
Subject: FW: Good job

From: s.22
Sent: October 14, 2016 7:03 PM
To: Clark.MLA, Christy <Christy.Clark.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Subject: Good job

Hi Christy,

As a devoted husband to my wife since high school and father of three girls I am proud to call you my premier. While my wife and I were watching Global TV tonight, seeing you with a group of young girls (talking politics) I said I do not see why anyone could be critical of how Christy leads this province. You speak out when required, especially when the issue is critical and important. I am proud of how you speak out about bullying, discrimination and why all of us need to be part of the solution. Watching the young ladies speak out about getting involved and continuing what people (especially women) have started (breaking the glass ceiling!). It was great to see and might be one of the only good things that comes out of the US election (the Trump factor).

I just wanted to say how impressed I have been this past 4 years having you lead our province.

Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX

From: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 9:09 AM
To: Woford, Jessica GCPE:EX
Subject: Roadbuilders
Attachments: 2016 12 01 Road Builders FINAL.docx

As discussed.

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Thank you.

I want to thank Jack Davidson and Todd Stone....
Two greats from two generations, working towards the
same goal.
Like Tony Bennett singing a duet with Justin Bieber.

It shouldn't work. But it does.

Today, I want to talk about you.

About the role you play in Canada's leading economy –
something we haven't been able to say for generations.

I work every day to make sure we have every opportunity
to go on saying that.

I also want to talk about the role you can play in
determining whether we stay on course.

BUILDING B.C.

Because it's a crucial moment for this province.
And we need you.

We need people who understand the value of hard work –
the values that built this province.
The values that will continue to build this province.

Many of you worked on the four-laneing of the Trans-
Canada to the Alberta border.

We've made a lot of progress since we committed to
accelerating this important work: Hoffman's Bluff, a key
project, was just finished this week.

But you may have heard the NDP saying they'd do it
faster.

They're like that guy who shows up late to help you move, sits on your couch, drinks your beer, doesn't lift a finger – but says, “hey, buddy – you're welcome. Happy to help.”

I guess they're in a hurry. Every NDP'er in the country is applying for the same handful government jobs in Edmonton.

But relax, guys. You'll get there.

The funny thing is the NDP opposed that project. And it's not like that was an isolated incident.

- Evergreen Line – completed on time and under budget. The first trains run this week. 8,000 construction jobs.
- The South Fraser Perimeter Road. 4,000 construction jobs, another 7,000 long-term jobs in Delta and Surrey.
- Port Mann Bridge – 8,000 jobs.
- Canada Line – 7,000 jobs.
- Site C – 10,000 jobs.
- Pacific NorthWest LNG – 4,500 construction jobs.

The NDP opposed every single one.

Here's what else they tried to stop:

- 4 consecutive balanced budgets, with a fifth on the way.
- Leading the country in growth – three times faster than the rest of Canada.
- Being on track to eliminate our operating debt in 4 years – the first time since 1975.
- The lowest middle class taxes in Canada.
- The lowest unemployment rate in the country – the best comparison since 1961.
- And the best job creation record in Canada, with 183,000 jobs since we launched the BC Jobs Plan.

And because we've done that, we have the ability to make record investments in health, education, and programs that lift people up, like the Single Parent Employment Initiative.

We also have the ability to make record investments in infrastructure – over \$75 billion in capital projects.

And it's not way off in the future. In the next three years alone, we're investing \$2.8 billion as part of *BC on the Move*.

Let me touch on a few of those projects.

You all know the main event – The George Massey Tunnel Replacement. It's on schedule to start construction next year, with the bridge opening in 2022.

For commuters, it means getting home faster, and with much less frustration.

It also means getting goods from across Canada to market more quickly and more efficiently.

And for you, it means about 9,000 jobs.

There's also the \$59 million overpass in Langley on Highway 1 and 216th Street. It's going to reduce congestion in one of the Lower Mainland's fastest-growing areas.

And it's going to create 360 jobs.

And maybe if you happened to drive here today from the west shore or up island, you went through Vancouver Island's biggest bottleneck.

It's getting fixed with the \$85 million McKenzie Interchange. It's out to tender now.

It means 515 jobs here on the Island.

But it's not just the big ticket items. There are 40 resurfacing projects going to tender, including 15 bridge projects and 10 safety projects.

HWY 99 ANNOUNCEMENT

Let me give you one example. The stretch of Highway 99 between Lillooet and Lytton has needed an upgrade for a while.

And earlier today, Jackie Tegart announced we're moving ahead...
With an investment of \$60 million.

Since 2013, we have resurfaced 4,600 kilometers of roads in British Columbia.

147 kilometres of widening – and 189 bridges replaced or rehabbed

Altogether, those investments also created 15,000 jobs.

And that's just direct jobs. But there are tens of thousands of jobs in firms that rely on you.

Some of you are here tonight. You may be in supplies, engineering firms, HR, or law firms.

We made these investments to make travel safer and faster for British Columbians, and because it's good the lifeblood of our province – trade.

Projects like the Port Mann, South Fraser, Deltaport improvement, and rail corridors in Prince Rupert and Roberts Bank are crucial for our role as Canada's Pacific Gateway.

In just the last five years...

We've seen an increase of our commodity exports by 42 per cent – up to a total of \$35.8 billion.

We only depend on the United States for just over half of our exports. And they're turning inwards.

Donald Trump has already backed out of the TPP, and has said things about free trade that should worry us.

B.C. is more insulated than any other province. 36 per cent of our exports go to Asia – and that number is going up.

And as the rest of the country also turns towards the growing, trading nations across the Pacific...
The Pacific Gateway will be a national lifeline.

CONCLUSION

Next year is a big year. I can tell you my job depends on it. But I'm not alone.

You don't have to look very far to see what happens under a government that doesn't believe in trade or free enterprise.

If the '90s were too long ago for you, just ask all your friends from Alberta...

You know, the ones calling you about trying to find work.

There's no such thing as an easy election in B.C. Every single one is tough, and every single one is decided by a few thousand votes in a few key ridings.

That's a good thing. Because it means every vote counts.

It means groups like the Road Builders have enormous power to influence people.

I'm working every day to put British Columbians First.

We have a plan worth fighting for.

We have ideas and a vision worth fighting for – and we know that, because they're the same values that built this province, and made BC a leader in Canada.

I hope you'll fight for them too.

We are going to fight for the ideas and the values that have made this province what it is today...

And what it will become for our kids – and theirs.

Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX

From: Merrifield, Katy PREM:EX
Sent: Sunday, December 11, 2016 11:40 AM
To: Dolan, Chelsea PREM:EX
Subject: chamber
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Thank you. We have a long and productive history with our local chambers across the province.

Your ideas help build this province...our accomplishments are really yours, so thank you for everything you do.

Today, I want to talk about the role you play in Canada's leading economy – something we haven't been able to say for generations.

I work every day to make sure we have every opportunity to go on saying that we're leading the country.

I also want to talk about making sure we stay on course. Because we have a crucial moment here next year.

You all know the record:

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- And record investments in health, infrastructure, education, and programs that lift people up, like the Single Parent Employment Initiative.

We've done this while having the continent's first and most broadly applied carbon tax.

We've been leading from the front on carbon pricing for a long time.

Last week, we reached an agreement to get the rest of the country to catch up.

Yes, it means an increase to \$50 per tonne in 2022. But I can promise you two things:

First, British Columbians won't pay more than anyone else – and it won't be Ottawa telling us what's fair.

If we don't agree it's a level playing field, the deal is off.

And second, we're staying revenue neutral. Every dollar we raise in carbon pricing will be returned to British Columbians in corresponding tax cuts.

That's the central principle behind our carbon tax. It's the reason it works, and it's the reason the United Nations held us up as an example to follow.

It's a lot to be proud of. And it's very, very fragile.

LESSONS FROM DOWN SOUTH

It can all fall apart in the time it takes to cast a ballot...
Or decide not to cast a ballot.

There's been a lot of hand-wringing about the US election, and what it means for the United States, Canada, and the world.

From my point of view as Premier of a province that still depends on the United States for the majority of our trade...

Whatever else Donald Trump has said or done...he's said things about free trade that should worry us.

But the fact is...

Trump hasn't said anything about NAFTA, the TPP, or globalization that we don't hear from the LEAP Manifesto crowd every single day.

The NDP said all the same things as Trump about the TPP.

And they'd never admit it, but a few champagne corks were popped at NDP HQ when Trump killed it.

You just wish they were honest enough to admit it. Under President Trump as under President Obama – we believe both sides of the border are best served by fair managed trade.

We've managed to get softwood to the top of the federal government's agenda. To their credit, the Prime Minister and Minister McKenna have listened and kept working.

And should their good-faith negotiations fail, we are ready and prepared to vigorously defend B.C.'s interests.

And if it's a long fight – we've gone through worse. When we took office in 2001, 70% of our exports were dependent on the US.

For the past 15 years, we have been working hard to diversify our export markets.

As a result, we weathered the 2008 economic downturn better than most – even when BC exports to the US dropped by 25% in a single year.

That meant a loss of \$4.6 Billion in 1 year – or, if you're Mike de Jong, nearly 12% of all BC government spending that year.

After five years of hard work and hard decisions, we have recovered – and built Canada's leading economy.

My job is to create an environment where you can continue to thrive.

So we're going to continue working to grow our markets in Asia, with continuing efforts in China, India, Japan and South Korea...

And new trade offices in emerging markets like the Philippines, Indonesia, and Malaysia.

And we're going to keep investing and creating the conditions for success in booming industries like tourism, tech and clean tech, and industries that are about to rebound, like mining.

CONCLUSION

But before I take your questions, I want to close with a final thought on the US election.

There is no one single reason Trump won and Hillary lost. Anyone who tells you different is either trying to sell you something, or making a fool of themselves on Twitter.

But there is one lesson for us – complacency.

In the weeks and days before the election, pundits told worried Americans it was already over.

No less an authority than Princeton University said Hillary had a 99 per cent chance of winning.

And they weren't alone.

What does that tell a voter who might be on the fence?
A voter who knows one candidate is bad news, but isn't quite sold on the other?

It says "no problem."

It's okay to sit this one out.

We cannot let that happen here.

There's no such thing as an easy election in B.C.

Every single one is tough, and every single one is decided by a few thousand votes in a few key ridings.

That's a good thing. Because it means every vote counts.

Just think how different things seemed in December 2012 and how they seemed on election night.

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December 13, 2016

Thank you – and I'm looking forward to taking your questions.

Chin, Ben PREM:EX

From: Chin, Ben PREM:EX
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 10:48 AM
To: Bailey, Ian; Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
Subject: Re: Comment from the premier: US tech company offering employees a chance to work in Vancouver office in light of looming Trump presidency

Hey Ian I'm sorry, but the Premier and Smarty are over the Atlantic...I think until after your deadline..do you want me to direct this to a minister?

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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Bailey, Ian
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 10:45 AM
To: Smart, Stephen PREM:EX
Cc: Chin, Ben PREM:EX
Subject: Comment from the premier: US tech company offering employees a chance to work in Vancouver office in light of looming Trump presidency

Gentlemen,

I am following up on an interview on CBC's As It Happens last night about how the CEO of a Philadelphia-based tech company is offering employees a chance to move to the company's Vancouver plant in light of concerns about the looming Donald Trump presidency.

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I was wondering if the premier had any comment on this, and whether she would welcome other US companies making a similar choice or tech workers interested in resettling in Vancouver.

I am writing for tomorrow's paper.

Regards

Ian Bailey



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Sure...a statement. Obviously we'd want to steer clear of US elxn results, but use the opportunity to tout BC's tech sector and welcome investment.

Something like 'that BC's tech sector is on the minds of people around the world speaks volumes about the success BC's tech sector as a vital part of our strong, diverse and growing economy. We welcome investment and people who can help our tech sector grow, and create more jobs in BC

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Maybe bond from an immigration/ jobs perspective?

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To: Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX
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Ideas on who can respond to this?

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