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Statement from NASCO on the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA)

July 1, 2026 -- Today's announcement regarding the future of the United States – Mexico - Canada Agreement (USMCA) understandably raises important questions for businesses, workers, and communities across North America.

For more than three decades, Canada, Mexico, and the United States have built one of the world's most integrated and competitive economic regions. Businesses have invested billions of dollars in manufacturing, energy, agriculture, transportation, and innovation because they have had confidence in a stable, predictable, and rules-based North American marketplace.

That operational integration is one of our greatest competitive advantages - and it is evidence of USMCA's success.

As the 2026 Joint Review continues, NASCO believes the conversation should focus not on whether North America can compete together, but on how we strengthen our ability to do so. USMCA provides the certainty that enables long-term investment, resilient supply chains, efficient border operations, workforce development, and innovation across all three countries. Like any successful framework, it should continue to evolve to meet new economic realities, emerging technologies, and global competition. Preserving and modernizing a strong, trilateral agreement remains the best path to ensuring North America continues to attract investment, create jobs, strengthen supply chains, and compete successfully with other major economic regions.

Competitiveness is not negotiated once every sixteen years. It is built every day through the decisions businesses make, the investments they undertake, and the partnerships they build across North America. Every day, manufacturers, farmers, energy producers, logistics providers, researchers, educators, workers, and communities collaborate across our three countries to keep North America moving. **North America's competitive advantage is operational**. Public policy should reinforce that success by providing the certainty and stability businesses need to invest with confidence.

NASCO stands ready to work with governments, industry, academia, and communities across Canada, Mexico, and the United States to strengthen North America's operational competitiveness and ensure USMCA continues to provide the certainty that allows our continent to compete with confidence.