



NAFTA:

CPA SUPPORTS MENDING IT OR ENDING IT



KILLED INVESTMENT IN U.S.

NAFTA caused Mexico to become a more attractive investment location than the United States.



KILLED U.S. MANUFACTURING

Companies moved large parts of our automotive, machinery, equipment and electronics manufacturing from the U.S. to Mexico for re-export to American consumers.



KILLED U.S. JOBS

The result was job losses and wage suppression in industries directly and indirectly affected.

A NEW NAFTA SHOULD:



Narrow the U.S./Mexico trade deficit. The U.S. had a trade surplus with Mexico before NAFTA. Our second largest bilateral deficit was with Mexico in 2017. This imbalance must be substantially narrowed.



Tighten rules of origin to require higher U.S. and North American content for favorable tariff treatment. We should not allow third country imports to free ride on any NAFTA benefits.



Include periodic review with an off-ramp. Require a review every five years and allow countries to withdraw. This forces countries to rebalance the agreement periodically to address new problems.



End Investor-State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) which encourages offshoring by socializing multinational corporations' risk when they choose to invest overseas rather than here.



Reinstate country of origin labeling for beef and pork to stop the ongoing deception whereby meat from foreign animals is labeled as an exclusively U.S. product.



Include enforceable and effective labor standards to lessen the investment attraction of low wage countries.



Include effective controls on currency manipulation and misalignment that frustrate tariff concessions by taxing American exports and subsidizing imports.

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