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## **Border Trade Alliance statement on imposition of new tariffs on USMCA partners Canada and Mexico**

WASHINGTON—Border Trade Alliance Chairman Pete Sepulveda, Jr. and BTA President Ms. Britton Mullen released the following joint statement about the planned March 4 imposition by the United States of 25% tariffs on goods imported from Canada and Mexico:

“As we have said on multiple occasions, we celebrated when President Trump passed the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, which modernized our country’s trade policy and reasserted North America’s position as the globe’s most economically competitive trading bloc.

“Tariffs on our friends, neighbors, and trading partners is a significant step backwards. The cost of these new import taxes will cause lost jobs and higher prices, undermining the president’s goal of taming inflation.

“We should be striving to achieve the economic promise of USMCA and trilateral cooperation and prosperity. We hope the administration will reconsider the effects of tariffs on consumers, job creators, and the country’s economic health.”

### **About the Border Trade Alliance**

Since 1986, the BTA has served as a grassroots, non-profit organization that provides a forum for discussion and advocacy on issues pertaining to border development and quality of life and trade in the Americas. A network of public and private sector representatives from the United States, Mexico and Canada, BTA’s core values include a commitment to improving the quality of life of border communities through trade and commerce. The BTA is online at [thebta.org](http://thebta.org) and [@borderalliance](https://twitter.com/borderalliance).

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