

The Chairperson,

The Senate Select Committee on Free Trade between Australia and the U.S.A.

Dear Sir or Madam,

When considering the possibility of a Free Trade Agreement with the U.S.A. may I strongly recommend that your Committee study two books on the result of the Free Trade Agreement reached between Canada and the U.S.A. on Canada's economy.

The books, both best sellers in Canada, by the highly respected author and publisher Mel Hurtig of Hurtig's Publishing Co. of Edmonton, Alberta are "THE BETRAYAL OF CANADA" and " THE VANISHING COUNTRY.''

Both of these books clearly outline the disasterous effect of the Free Trade Agreement on Canada's economy. In fact, in the book "The Vanishing Country" Mr. Hurtig states that because of the agreement, Canada will lose its sovereignty within 5 years! Also under threat is Canada's excellent Medicare system.

I strongly recommend that your Committee study these two best-selling editions before making a decision on Free Trade with the U.S.A.

I also recommend that Mr. Hurtig be invited as a guest of our Government to address your Committee. He has expressed his willingness to do so in correspondence with me.

I am in possession of these publications and would be pleased to forward them to you

Mr. Hurtig's address is Mel Hurtig - 9905 -115 St. Edmonton, AB Canada. Postal code T5K -154.

I can be contacted at my address as above or reached by phone at o3 6298 ii22 Dover.

Yours truly,

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