Second North American Symposium on Assessing the Environmental Effects of Trade

Commission for Environmental Cooperation of North America, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

24 March 2003

Public Workshop on NAFTA Chapter 11, hosted by the Joint Public Advisory Committee

25 March 2003

- **7:30** *Registration of participants*
- 8:30 Opening Session: Welcoming Remarks

Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Symposium Chair, President, Nuclear Waste Management Association

Victor Shantora, Acting Executive Director, Commission for Environmental Cooperation

Charles Arden-Clarke, Economics and Trade Branch, UNEP

9:30 Keynote Speakers

Secretary Víctor Lichtinger (TBC) Ricardo Meléndez-Ortiz, *The International Centre for Trade and Sustainable*

Development

- 10:00 Questions
- 10:15 JPAC report on the NAFTA Chapter 11 Public Workshop, held the previous day Gustavo Alanís-Ortega, JPAC Chair
- 10:30 Coffee break

10:45 Session One: The Environmental Impact of the Energy Sector under NAFTA

Session Chair: Bill Jarvis, Environment Canada

- 1. Open Trade with the US without Compromising Canada's Ability to Comply with its Kyoto Target, ZhongXiang Zhang, East-West Center
- 2. Energy Use in the Cement Industry in North America: Emissions, Waste Generation and Pollution Control, 1990-2001, Marisa Jacott, Fronteras Comunes, Cyrus B.H. Reed, Texas Center for Policy Studies, and Mark S. Winfield, The Pembina Institute for Appropriate Development
- 3. The Conflicting Economic and Environmental Logics of North American Governance: NAFTA, Energy Subsidies and Climate Change, Robin Jane Roff, University of Toronto, and Anita Krajne, Sierra Club of Canada

<u>Discussant</u>: Margarito Quintero Núñez, *Universidad Autónoma de Baja California*

Questions and open discussion

12:45 Lunch: Free time

14:15 Session Two: Trade and Indigenous Groups in North America

Session Chair: Michelle Swenarchuk, Canadian Environmental Law Association

Historical and Current Impacts of Trade on Indigenous Groups in North America, Jack Corbett, Portland State University

Panelists: Mindahi C. Bastida Muñoz, Consejo Mexicano para el Desarrollo

Sustentable (Mexico)

Arthur Manuel, *Indigenous Network on Economies and Trade (Canada)* Thomas Goldtooth, *Indigenous Environment Network (United States)*

Questions and open discussion

16:15 *Coffee break*

16:30 Session Three: Trade Liberalization and Agriculture—The Big Picture

Session Chair: Ronald Steenblik, OECD Trade Directorate

- 1. Agricultural Trade Liberalization and the Environment in North America: Analyzing the "Production Effect," Gareth Porter, Consultant
- 2. Some Domestic Environmental Effects of US Agricultural Adjustments under Liberalized Trade: A Preliminary Analysis, Joseph Cooper, Economic Research Service, US Department of Agriculture
- 3. Aquifers and Agrochemicals in a Border Region: Challenges and Opportunities of NAFTA for Mexican Agriculture, José María Martínez Rodríguez, Red Fronteriza de Salud y Ambiente A.C.

Discussant: C. Parr Rosson, Texas A&M University

Questions and open discussion

18:30 Reception

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8:30 Session Four: Trade Liberalization and Agriculture—Grain Sector

Session Chair: Carlos Muñoz, Instituto Nacional de Ecología

- 1. The Socio-economic and Environmental Effects of the Trade Liberalization of Basic Grains within the Context of NAFTA: The Case of Sinaloa, Ana de Ita Rubio, CECCAM
- 2. NAFTA and Conservation of Maize Diversity in Mexico, George Dyer-Leal, University of California, Davis, and Antonio Yúnez-Naude, Centro de Estudios Económicos, El Colegio de México
- 3. The Economic and Environmental Impacts of Agricultural Subsidies: An Assessment of the 2002 Farm Bill and Doha Round, Karel Mayrand, Stéphanie Dionne, Unisfera International Centre

Discussant: Bob MacGregor, Agriculture and Agri-food Canada

Questions and open discussion

10:30 *Coffee break*

10:45 Session Five: Trade Liberalization and Agriculture—Regulations and Policies

Session Chair: David E. Ervin, Portland State University

- 1. Comparative Standards for Intensive Livestock Operations in Canada, Mexico, and the United States, Timothy Whitehouse, Commission for Environmental Cooperation
- 2. Local Environmental Protection and Trade: The Cases of Hog Production in Canada and Mexico, Paul Thomassin, McGill University
- 3. Invasive Species, Agriculture and Trade: Case Studies from the NAFTA Context, Anne Perrault, Center for International Environmental Law, and Carroll Muffett, Defenders of Wildlife

Discussant: Kevin Gallagher, Tufts University

Questions and open discussion

12:45 Rapporteurs' Reports

Robert Teh, World Trade Organization
Bob MacGregor, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
Claudia Schatán, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
Claudia Saladin, World Wildlife Fund-US

Questions and open discussion

13:45 Lunch: Free time

15:15 Closing Session: What Have We Learned and Where Do We Go?

Session Chair: John Kirton, University of Toronto

Panelists: Scott Vaughan, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Chantal Line Carpentier, Commission for Environmental Cooperation

Charles Arden-Clarke, Economics and Trade Branch, UNEP

Questions and open discussion

17:45 Concluding Remarks

18:00 Symposium Adjournment

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