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EXO 4 - Trade with America

Once upon a time, Canada was Americas largest trading partner. Really it was. Of course, now we know, tremendous global trade realities have had some influence in changing this statement of affairs somewhat and this is currently having an effect in various ways. It's also conceivable that international foreign trade policy, business environment factors, un-restricted foreign imports, an insufficient national outlook, devitalized social, legal, educational and organizational structures, and a working, industrial and entrepreneurial class that had to face the music with things that seemed to be out of control, have also been influential in this economic change of pace. We don't blame anyone or anything, we accept personal responsibility to change it, learn our lessons and apply ourselves to grow.

There was a time when we could buy, "Made with pride in America". What happened to that, especially all those tools, creating all those jobs, we feel bad that job losses have been high in America as well, since we have bought so much stuff from there, this has changed a lot. We could imagine a collectors item, Made with pride in USA, that could create jobs. There are US tool companies that we thought we would never, ever see made somewhere else, that it would be Made in USA forever, we were wrong, probably even presumptuous, hard to believe or imagine eh? Like wow, we are stunned!

Our per capita purchases of American goods far outweighed US purchasing of Canadian goods back then. Of course with temporal financial anomalies (a metric dollar) there is only so much we can buy when it just doesn't seem fair, like you know, the exchange rate differential. Even now, we are still stunned when we can buy Canadian made stuff in America cheaper than we can here. Of course there are the purchasing agents on both sides of the fence who drive hard bargains and threaten to have anything and everything outsourced for the manufacturing sector and at the same time predatory foreign companies promising us to make us rich if we get them to make our stuff too, and at the same time under-cutting and dumping everything in sight to put us out of business. We share a common problem eh! How about that, what do you think of them apples...?

We were the most "favored" trading nation. Why was that? A cheap dollar, large reliable markets, integrated economies, close proximity and a speedy logistical infrastructure, of course we have real money to spend, (you can't hide money, eh cuz) we don't work for a buck or two per day with a gun to our head, we don't need to counterfeit everyone's stuff including their money, we can stand up for Canada and ourselves, we can even stand up for America and American jobs...hmmm, so, you want to know what that is like? Too bad for economic nationalism. The socialist think that capitalism has failed, but it is the lying, cheating, stealing, fraud, embezzlement, deception and other stock market stuff that has worked wonders. We can still invest in legit, honest enterprise operated by people with integrity eh. Of course this would mean having values, character, a fundamental belief and business structure that is more ideal, all encompassing and mutually beneficial to society and people...

Now, a lot of things have changed, votes, trends, government policy, global trade, weird things to the economy and trade, just like now having the currency about equal might help us to buy more US goods, help fix the trade deficit in USA and create more jobs in America-but you must have Made in USA to make it work, as we don't see all these other countries with their huge exchange difference going out of the way to fix it now do we, as American and

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Canadian companies in foreign countries with cheap products have caused some problems, not to mention others doing their own thing too. If America wants to change that, then they will.

Imagine the one thing that really annoys Canadians at the border is the total panic and hysteria of border guards, "oh my god, a wrench in your car, you are here to steal American jobs, you are so evil, how dare you pretend to take a holiday in our great country, you are trying to steal our jobs, uh huhn, yep that's right. Another reason to take the dog team down to the border and rent a car...

Of course, we all like those foreign shipping containers arriving from across the ocean, stacked by the cubic mile ship after ship, trainloads of 'em miles long, no, they are not stealing American jobs are they? Wow, that is so amazing...have you seen ports full of these boats, trainloads full of stuff, so we both want jobs, (and why did you say the pace of recovery is too slow?) but why export money to someone that only wants everything for themselves, and everyone else out of work, what's with that, do you really think all these stores full of cheap stuff is making your life better, richer, more productive? You will be shocked at the volume of industrial warfare going on right now, and just about everyone is financing it with their personal decision. You can look at any town or city where financial extraction and industrial liquidation is practiced, this really is a form of industrial economic genocide, just so you know, but do you really have freedom of choice when you just can't buy Made in America or Made in Canada? Come on, gimme a break...do you believe it interferes with the fundamental right of life, liberty, happiness and spending money. Another reason to read the Constitution, eh.

Do you want a faster more robust and sustainable economic environment?

We the people...choose to buy Made in America and Made in Canada

Now you know the answer to everything, have a great day eh!

Thanks for your time!