

Outline: Council of the Federation/ Internal Trade Work Plan

1.0 Immediate Actions		
Objective:	Lead Jurisdiction:	Completion date:
1. Re-commit to honour all obligations under current AIT	New Brunswick and Manitoba	Immediate - Follow-up by Ministers - April 2004
2. Complete the Provincial/Territorial negotiations on Crown Procurement	British Columbia	Immediate - Follow-up on details and communication to Government of Canada - April 2004
3. Report to Council of Federation on Progress	New Brunswick and Manitoba	July 2004
2.0 Short-Term Objectives		
Objective:	Lead Jurisdiction:	Completion date:
1. Provide flexibility in decision-making	Quebec	April 2004
2. Improve the AIT dispute resolution mechanism (<i>Procedural Fairness</i>)	Ontario	April 2004
3. Launch an assessment of gaps between the AIT and issues outside of scope of current agreement	Alberta and British Columbia	Preliminary report April 2004
4. Develop a comprehensive communications plan	New Brunswick and Yukon	April 2004
3.0 Longer-term Objectives		
Objective:	Lead Jurisdiction:	Completion date:
1. Re-commit to honour all obligations under current AIT	Quebec	Workplan by the end of 2004. A report of progress by July 2005
2. Complete negotiation of the Energy Chapter	Alberta	2005 Annual Meeting of Ministers

Objective:	Lead Jurisdiction:	Completion date:
3. Improve the AIT dispute resolution mechanism (<i>Full review of the dispute resolutions mechanism</i>)	Saskatchewan	2005 Annual Meeting of Ministers.
4. Assess and address issues related to business subsidies	Manitoba	2005 Annual Meeting of Ministers
5. Address labour mobility issues including but not limited to mutual recognition of foreign credentials	Ontario	2005 Annual Meeting of Ministers
6. Address gaps between the AIT and issues outside of scope of current Agreement	Alberta and British Columbia	Workplan to be completed at 2005 Annual Meeting of Ministers. Timelines for completion on actions related to gaps identified will be outlined in workplan.
7. Accelerate the Harmonization of Regulations and Standards	Nova Scotia	2005 Annual Meeting of Ministers
8. Review of the Scope and Coverage of the Agriculture Chapter	Prince Edward Island	P/T Ministers of Agriculture will complete their review no later than their June or July 2005 Annual Meeting
9. Improvements to the Procurement Chapter	Newfoundland and Labrador	2005 Annual Meeting of Ministers
4.0 Other Business		
1. Undertake research and analysis and/or actions into internal trade matters and issues of interest	Provinces and Territories	On-going