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Dear Prime Minister & Premiers:

Re: Border Blockades

The last two years have been challenging for many industries and governments at all levels. It remains clear that when governments and industry work together, much of this damage can be prevented or mitigated. These results are due, in large part, to your collective leadership. But now, your leadership is immediately required, once again, to deal with the border blockades severely impacting our trade corridors, the economy and hardworking truck drivers and manufacturers who continue to work for the benefit of all Canadians.

The border blockades have exhausted any remaining patience held by members of the Canadian Trucking Alliance (CTA) and Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME). These blockades have halted the flow of essential goods and threatened the Canadian economy. These blockades and are being caused by individuals who have illegally seized

control, and impeded access to, public infrastructure. Our nation's truck drivers, who are caught up in these blockades are at personal risk, and the manufacturers that rely on trucking services are being forced to shut down.

Our collective members have all been negatively impacted by these blockades and they are worried that these blockades will continue, or worse, begin to occur at other crossings.

CTA and CME is calling on the First Ministers to meet to develop an action plan to end and prevent blockades at all ports of entry in Canada to ensure the safety and security of our supply chains and economy.

CTA and CME understand that each port of entry, and the roadways leading up to the plazas, have their own unique jurisdictional characteristics. That is why we believe an action plan must be formulated, that is national in scope, and outlines tailored plans for each port of entry and critical infrastructure link.

Again, CTA and CME appreciate the complexity and difficulty of resolving the blockades issues. We know through your leadership we can quickly and collectively put a national plan to deal with current, and future, illegal blockades at our international crossings. We must restore Canada's image as a good place to invest and do business and ensure our trucking and manufacturing industries continue to thrive.

Sincerely,



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