

Joint Declaration on Fostering Progressive and Inclusive Trade

New Zealand, Canada and Chile confirm our shared commitment to working together to help make international trade policies more progressive and inclusive in order to ensure that the benefits of trade and investment are more broadly shared, which can have a positive impact on economic growth and helps to reduce inequality and poverty.

New Zealand, Canada and Chile confirm our shared commitment to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

We also commit to working together to deliver on our expectations that trade can contribute to the achievement of sustainable development and solutions for global issues of concern including with regard to gender equality, Indigenous Peoples, domestic regional economic development, Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), labour rights, environment and climate change.

To this end, New Zealand, Canada and Chile will work together to:

- Affirm the inherent right of each Participant to regulate within its territory to achieve legitimate public policy objectives such as the protection of health, safety, the environment or public morals, social or consumer protection or the promotion and protection of cultural diversity;
- Uphold our respective commitments for an ambitious and effective implementation of the Paris Agreement and support the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 13 (Climate Action);
- Reaffirm our intention to work together in the transition to a low emissions and resilient economy, helping our collective and individual actions to combat climate change thereby contributing to achieving the collective long-term temperature goal of the Paris Agreement, and reducing the adverse effects of climate change;
- Implement our obligations under the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women and work towards gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls;
- Contribute to achieve the objectives of Goal 5 of the Sustainable Development Goals in the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in particular in areas related to gender equality and empower all women and girls;
- Affirm the objectives of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples adopted by the United Nations on 13 September, 2007;
- Affirm the right of each Party to preserve, develop and implement its cultural policies for the purposes of enriching its cultural identity and the diversity of cultural expressions in all its forms, given the essential role that culture plays in society, supporting social and economic prosperity, and in the lives of individuals;
- Reaffirm our commitments to international standards on corporate social responsibility of enterprises which provide guidelines to enterprises with respect to the environment, labour, human rights, community relations and anti-corruption efforts, such as the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises;
- Respect and promote internationally-recognized labour rights and principles, as set out in the International Labour Organization (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work of 1998. This includes the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining, the abolition of child labour, the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation, and the elimination of forced or compulsory labour;
- Promote acceptable conditions of work regarding minimum wages, hours of work and occupational safety and health;
- Examine ways to address the range of barriers that limit opportunities for women, indigenous peoples and SMEs in international trade;

- Improve the policy environment for SME innovation and promote SME growth through innovation, including to strengthen the digital competitiveness of SMEs in order to access the opportunities offered by the internet and the digital economy;
- Share information to help develop the regional economies within our countries to ensure they benefit from the opportunities of international trade; and
- Within three years of the entry into force of the CPTPP examine the effectiveness of the Agreement with respect to sustainable development, gender, indigenous peoples, domestic regional economic development, SMEs, labour rights, the environment and climate change.