

Canadian and Singaporean officials met during the week of February 26, 2007, in Singapore. This seventh round of negotiations, the first full meeting in over three years, was productive in areas such as trade in goods, cross-border trade in services, and investment. At this time, it is too soon to speculate when the two countries might be able to conclude an agreement. The Government will continue to consult with Canadian stakeholders as the talks proceed.

Following a meeting on the margins of the 2006 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) ministerial meetings, Minister of International Trade David L. Emerson and his Singaporean counterpart, Minister Lim Hng Kiang, agreed to resume formal negotiations toward a free trade agreement.