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Overview

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Overview

Big Picture

- Trade Matters to Agriculture
- Architecture of U.S. Trade Policy



Current Issues

- NAFTA
- China
- Whatever Happened To ...?

On the Horizon


- Opportunities
- Sources of Concern

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Trade Matters

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Trade Matters to Agriculture

Importance of Trade

- Scale of Trade
- Trade Share of Farm Revenue
- Export and Import Trends

Political Pressures

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Architecture of U.S. Trade Policy

Trade Agreements

- World Trade Organization
- Free Trade Agreements

Domestic Laws

- Trade Remedies
- U.S. Import Regime

A Note About TPA



Current Issue in Trade

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Current Issues: NAFTA

A Little History

Status of Negotiations

Agriculture Issues

Prospects for a New Agreement

- Congressional Approval
- Withdrawal from NAFTA 1.0?

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Current Issues: China

Disputes and Retaliation

- China 301 Retaliatory List
- Section 232 Investigation
- Sorghum AD Duties
- U.S. WTO Challenge Against China Farm Subsidies


A Deal in the Making?

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Whatever Happened To...?

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Whatever Happened To...?



WTO Doha Round

Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP)

Transatlantic Trade & Investment Partnership (TTIP)


Cuba

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On the Horizon

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On the Horizon: Opportunities

Bilateral deals?

- Japan
- African Partner

New Regional Agreements

- Rejoin the TPP?
- New Deal with the EU?

WTO

- Prospects for Sectoral Agreements

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On the Horizon: Sources of Concern

Retaliation Against U.S. Farm Exports Japan

- Trade War with China?
- Section 232 stalemate with EU
- U.S. sanctions on Iran and Russia

Challenges in the WTO

- Potential Disputes
- Multilateral System under Pressure

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Conclusion

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- NAFTA & China
- U.S. Farmers in the Crossfire

Outlook

- Opportunities
- Multilateral System Under Pressure

Questions?

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