



### Removing Barriers to the Movement of Goods Within Canada

As indicated in the 2013 Speech from the Throne, the Government will also take action within its jurisdiction to strengthen internal trade by introducing further amendments to the *Importation of Intoxicating Liquors Act* to allow Canadians to take beer and spirits, in addition to wine, across provincial boundaries for their personal use.

These amendments will build on the work of the Member of Parliament for Okanagan–Coquihalla Dan Albas and his Private Member’s Bill (Bill C-311), recently adopted by Parliament, which removes the federal restrictions prohibiting individuals from moving wine from one province to another for personal use.

The Government will continue to pursue opportunities to revitalize the Agreement on Internal Trade in collaboration with provinces and territories, in order to strengthen the internal market for the benefit of Canadian businesses and consumers.

#### Federal Action Has Strengthened Internal Trade

Since 2006, the Government has advanced a number of initiatives to enable the seamless movement of people, goods, services and investment across Canada. For example the Government has:

- Enhanced the mobility of apprentices by working with provinces to harmonize requirements for and examine the use of practical tests as a method of assessment.
- Streamlined and harmonized permit and licence requirements, through the expansion and upgrade of BizPaL.
- Streamlined the regulatory review process for major natural resource projects by creating the Major Projects Management Office and the Northern Projects Management Office, and by addressing the complexity and regulatory overlap that have caused delays and uncertainty in the development of resource projects.
- Advanced initiatives to improve the seamlessness of Canadian financial markets and services including the work towards establishing a cooperative capital markets regulatory system with willing provinces and territories.