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DES GOUVERNEURS DE LA NOUVELLE-ANGLETERRE
ET DES PREMIERS MINISTRES DE L'EST DU CANADA
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Resolution 38-3

Resolution Recognizing the Importance of Regional Economic Development Cooperation

WHEREAS the people and economies of the New England and Eastern Canadian region are linked by strong business, trade, energy and transportation networks; and

WHEREAS the New England states and Eastern Canadian provinces face common economic challenges and opportunities; and


WHEREAS the Governors and Premiers seek to reaffirm the importance of maintaining their relationships, strengthen regional economic competitiveness in the global marketplace and advocate for respective federal economic and trade promotion policies and programs that will benefit the region; and


WHEREAS there is a shared priority in each of our jurisdictions to accelerate job creation and create a business environment that stimulates the development of existing and new markets and investment opportunities and promote regional, national and global trade opportunities for the region; and

WHEREAS there is a desire to explore opportunities to coordinate action and establish partnerships, and leverage the power of regional collaboration for the benefit of all jurisdictions.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT Governors and Premiers direct the Coordinating Committee to establish and oversee a process for identifying shared opportunities, challenges and barriers associated with economic development and trade in the region and assessing potential collaborative actions that could enhance the region's economic competitiveness. The Governors and Premiers further direct that an interim report on this process be submitted through the Coordinating Committee at the 2015 NEG/ECP annual conference, and a final report, including findings and proposed actions, at the 2016 NEG/ECP annual conference.

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