

我方與加拿大智庫全球事務研究所（Canadian Global Affairs Institute）於 2022 年 6 月 24 日合辦「臺加經貿關係圓桌會」，行政院經貿談判辦公室鄧政委以視訊方式出席，並於致詞及問答時指出，臺灣在疫情期間經濟表現亮眼，且在確保全球供應鏈的韌性上扮演重要角色，並透過新南向政策，對印太區域之經貿、投資、教育、醫療、供應鏈等領域做出具體貢獻。加拿大可透過與臺灣洽簽「投資促進及保障協議」（FIPA），並支持我國加入「跨太平洋夥伴全面進步協定」（CPTPP）等方式，建立雙方合作基礎，以擴大實質合作。

鄧政委致詞全文如下：

### **Opening Remarks for Taiwan-Canada Economic Relationship and Supply-Chain Resilience Roundtable**

Office of Trade Negotiations, Executive Yuan  
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Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, Ambassador Chen, Assistant Deputy Minister Wilshaw, business delegates from both Taiwan and Canada, good afternoon. I feel incredibly honored to be part of this important roundtable discussion, though it is unfortunate that I have to attend virtually. Having spent several months planning my trip and traveling all the way from Taiwan, I was very much looking forward to visiting Canada but the pandemic has other plans and I won't be able to make it.

This widespread recognition of Taiwan's economic importance has also given rise to a growing support for Taiwan's participation on the world stage. In recent years we've seen a tremendous amount of support for Taiwan among an increasingly diverse group of countries. Parliaments across Europe as well as the EU are now passing resolutions in support of Taiwan, Taiwan's relations with Japan and the UK remain strong, and the U.S. and Taiwan recently announced the Initiative on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Trade to deepen economic ties between the two countries.

Launched in 2016, Taiwan's "New Southbound Policy" has also successfully laid the groundwork for the promotion of regional prosperity through trade and investment partnerships, educational and people-to-people exchanges, as well as technological and medical cooperation with Southeast Asia, Australia and New Zealand. In fact, with the ongoing realignment of the regional supply chain away from mainland China, Southeast Asia has become an investment and manufacturing hub for Taiwanese companies.

Since submitting its application to accede to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement on Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) in September 2021, Taiwan has also implemented numerous regulatory reforms in order to adhere to international standards and further strengthen its connection to the world. For example, Taiwan recently opened up its market for pork containing ractopamine, and ended its 11-year ban on food imported from Fukushima in Japan. These are striking examples of Taiwan's determination to harmonize its domestic economic regime with international standards and remove long-standing

economic partnership.

Taiwan's longstanding relationship with Canada, as a close friend, democratic partner, and trusted ally, has been mutually beneficial for many years. I am confident that our shared democratic values and commitment to a rules-based international order will continue to carry this relationship to ever greater heights, and look forward to seeing what business opportunities arise out of these discussions.

Thank you!