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Send a Letter to the Editor of Your Local Newspaper

To the Editor,

There is an urgent need for public discussion around the Ontario-Quebec Trade and Cooperation Agreement, which was negotiated in secret, and signed with little fanfare by Premiers McGuinty and Charest on Sept 11, 2009. What exactly are the currently existing barriers to trade, investment and labour mobility that the Ontario Government thinks need to be removed? I am worried about the impact of trade agreements on local decisions for purchasing materials and services for local projects. I would like to know what impacts this agreement is going to happen on the environmental and labour regulations that are currently in place. Will they be altered, weakened or even nullified?

Name:

Address:

In a separate note to the editor:

As a concerned resident of _____, I'm writing to my MPP, _____, and asking for a public forum in which to have an informed discussion about this Ontario-Quebec Trade and Cooperation Agreement before it is ratified by Queen's Park. I'd like to invite all local politicians, media and concerned residents to join me in asking for an opportunity for all of us to think about the impacts of interprovincial trade agreements. I'd like you, the editor of my local newspaper, to echo my call for public discussion on this topic in an editorial.

Signed,