



## Business and Trade Committee

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Dear Mr Hawes

As you may have seen, last week I raised on the floor of the House of Commons the matter of the temporary provisions on cumulation of origin under the current UK-Canada trade agreement, which are due to expire at the end of March (HC Deb 29 January 2024 [c657](#)).

I am very concerned at the potential damage to UK automotive exports if this issue is not resolved in time and Canadian tariffs begin to be applied to products that have thus far benefited from preferential treatment. I would be grateful for any information that your Society is able to provide on what the likely scale and consequences of such damage would be.

Yours sincerely

**Chair of the Business and Trade Committee**