
16. TEMPORARY ENTRY FOR BUSINESS PERSONS

Mexico's main objective

- Increasing access for Mexicans interested in doing business in U.S. territory, including transparency on access conditions for these persons in the North American region.

Benefits for Mexico

- The principles and categories of business persons contained in the original NAFTA are reaffirmed. Based on this, the current facilities are maintained to guarantee the temporary entry and access of business visitors who intend to attend meetings, conferences, fairs or perform managerial or executive functions in a company or its subsidiaries or affiliates established in Mexico and in the United States, among others.
- The member countries establish mechanisms to improve transparency and expedite procedures that facilitate the mobility of business visitors from Mexico to North America.

Chapter's main provisions

- Contains provisions on transparency, application processing and cooperation between the Parties to allow the temporary mobility of business persons who fall into the following categories: business visitors; traders and investors; intra-corporate transfers of personnel; and professionals (**Annex 16-A**).
- Each Party shall publicly publish explanatory material concerning temporary entry requirements under this Chapter to enable a business person from another Party to become familiar with them (**Article 16.5**).
- Through a Working Group, the Parties may monitor the implementation of the Chapter, and may consider developing complementary measures to facilitate the temporary entry of business persons into the region (**Article 16.6**).
- In the event of a refusal to allow temporary entry under the Chapter, the dispute settlement mechanism of the Agreement may be invoked once the business person has exhausted the administrative remedies available to resolve the issue (**Article 16.7**).