

## Request for Records Disposition Authority

Records Schedule Number DAA-0364-2019-0001  
Schedule Status Approved  
  
Agency or Establishment Office of the U.S. Trade Representative  
Record Group / Scheduling Group Records of the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative  
Records Schedule applies to Department-wide  
Schedule Subject North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Subject Files  
Internal agency concurrences will be provided No

Background Information The United States commenced bilateral trade negotiations with Canada more than 30 years ago, resulting in the U.S.-Canada Free Trade Agreement, which entered into force on January 1, 1989. In 1991, bilateral talks began with Mexico, which Canada joined. The NAFTA followed, entering into force on January 1, 1994. Tariffs were eliminated progressively and all duties and quantitative restrictions, with the exception of those on a limited number of agricultural products traded with Canada, were eliminated by 2008. NAFTA also includes chapters covering rules of origin, customs procedures, agriculture and sanitary and phytosanitary measures, government procurement, investment, trade in services, protection of intellectual property rights, and dispute settlement procedures.

### Item Count

Number of Total Disposition Items	Number of Permanent Disposition Items	Number of Temporary Disposition Items	Number of Withdrawn Disposition Items
1	1	0	0

### GAO Approval

## Outline of Records Schedule Items for DAA-0364-2019-0001

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1	NAFTA Subject Files, 1991-1993 -- CLOSED Disposition Authority Number: DAA-0364-2019-0001-0001

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**NAFTA Subject Files, 1991-1993 -- CLOSED**

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**Subject files consisting of protocol, proposals, comparison tables, composites, versions, full chapters, reservations, and summaries of the NAFTA negotiations of 1991-1993.**

Final Disposition                      **Permanent**

Item Status                              **Active**

Is this item media neutral?          **No**

Explanation of limitation            **Electronic records only.**

Do any of the records covered by this item currently exist in electronic format(s) other than e-mail and word processing?      **No**

**Disposition Instruction**

If this item has multiple sections, indicate here records to which this section apply      **Electronic Records**

Transfer to the National Archives for Accessioning      **Transfer to the National Archives immediately after approval of schedule**

**Additional Information**

First year of records accumulation      **1991**

End year of records accumulation      **1993**

What will be the date span of the initial transfer of records to the National Archives?      **From 1991 To 1993**

How frequently will your agency transfer these records to the National Archives?      **Unknown  
Closed series. Single transfer.**

	Estimated Current Volume	Annual Accumulation
Electronic/Digital	88 GB	
Paper		

Microform		
Hardcopy or Analog Special Media		

## Agency Certification

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal in this schedule are not now needed for the business of the agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified.

## Signatory Information

Date	Action	By	Title	Organization
10/25/2018	Certify	Shelia Edwards	Records Officer	Administration - Administrative Program Services
02/06/2019	Return for Revision	Andrea Shahmohammadi	Appraisal Archivist	National Archives and Records Administration - Records Management Office
02/06/2019	Submit For Certification	Shelia Edwards	Records Officer	Administration - Administrative Program Services
02/06/2019	Certify	Shelia Edwards	Records Officer	Administration - Administrative Program Services
02/07/2019	Submit for Concurrence	Andrea Shahmohammadi	Appraisal Archivist	National Archives and Records Administration - Records Management Office
02/08/2019	Concur	Margaret Hawkins	Director of Records Management Services	National Records Management Program - ACNR Records Management Services
02/12/2019	Concur	Laurence Brewer	Chief Records Officer	National Records and Archives Administration - National Records and Archives Administration
02/13/2019	Approve	David Ferriero	Archivist of the United States	Office of the Archivist - Office of the Archivist