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ECON 136, International Economics

Panel: Admiral Gary Roughead, moderator. Panelists: Pedro (someone), Carla Hill, Michael Corrigan.

1. How many consumers, total, in the three NAFTA countries?
2. U.S. trade has multiplied by what factor since NAFTA?
3. The largest U.S. export destination is what country? What is the second largest?
4. The average U.S. tariff rate is about what percent? What percent is it for the rest of the world?
5. Prior to NAFTA, the average Mexican tariff rate was what percent? After NAFTA?
6. Prior to NAFTA, high tariffs benefitted the Mexican textile industry. Removal of those tariffs caused that industry to shrink by what percent?
7. How did the Mexican government help textile workers who had lost their jobs?
8. Is the Mexican textile industry now competitive in the world markets?
9. Within Mexico, some states adapted successfully to opening of trade. The governors of the successful states focused spending on what two areas?
10. Pedro helped set up a school of aeronautical engineering at the behest of Bombardier, a Canadian aerospace company. At the first graduation ceremony, what did he notice about the parents of the graduates?
11. What has happened to the rate of migration from Mexico into the U.S. in recent years?
12. What has happened to fertility rates in Mexico? Is the same trend beginning in Guatemala?
13. According to Michael C., free trade brings what benefits that are often overlooked?
14. Why was culture an issue in English-speaking Canada when the Canada-U.S. Trade Agreement was being negotiated?
15. By what percent has Canadian trade with the U.S. increased since NAFTA was adopted?
16. Overall, has NAFTA been beneficial to Canada?
17. According to Carla Hill, the primary reason why manufacturing jobs have been lost is not opening of trade. What is the primary reason?

18. At about 56:20, we hear the voice of George Schultz, who was Secretary of the Treasury and Secretary of State. What is holding back economic growth, according to Schultz?
19. Schultz says when you buy a house, you consider the neighborhood. Explain briefly how he applies this metaphor to North America.