



July 6, 2021

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

In response to your recent announcement that Canadian citizens and residents who are fully vaccinated will be exempt from a 14-day quarantine upon arrival to the country, Safari Club International (SCI) respectfully requests that you provide consistency to this new policy by also opening the Canadian border to fully vaccinated Americans.

Ever since the Canadian government closed its border to “non-essential” travel last year, thousands of American hunters have continued to wait patiently and anxiously for their booked trip with Canadian outfitters, many of which we now know will not materialize despite the many costs already paid.

Meanwhile, these outfitters – your constituents -- have been left with no choice but to keep their companies operational as expenses continued to accrue and revenue shriveled to nothing. Canada’s valued outfitters deserve the opportunity to begin their recovery from the financial devastation of COVID-19, instead of playing a guessing game about when this nightmare will come to an end.

SCI represents both hunters and outfitters who are now attempting to salvage hunts that were booked to take place during the COVID pandemic. SCI deeply values our relationship with both outfitters and hunters, and we urge the Canadian government to recognize that all parties are still suffering harm as an unfortunate result of border closures, and the resulting cancellations or postponements that were forced upon us by the COVID-19 pandemic.

In an attempt to salvage these bookings and Canadian businesses, our organization urges you to work with your colleagues to come to a satisfactory agreement surrounding the opening of the Canadian border to fully vaccinated Americans. Immediate action is necessary for your citizens in the hunting industry to recover from these unprecedented circumstances and resume our cherished hunting tradition in Canada.

Respectfully,

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