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**U.S. ENTERS AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH NORTH AMERICAN TRUSTED TRAVELER NETWORK**

On August 5, 2015, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security announced that the DHS has entered into an agreement with Public Safety Canada and the Secretariat of Governance of Mexico to establish a North American Trusted Traveler network.

Beginning in 2016, the agreement will allow Mexican citizens to apply for trusted traveler benefits, which includes expedited airport screening, under the current U.S. – Canada NEXUS program. Canadian citizens will be able to apply under Mexico’s Viajero Confiable program. U.S. citizens are already eligible to apply for each of these programs.

Speaking of the joint agreement, DHS Secretary Jeh Johnson said, “Trusted traveler programs are a vital tool to facilitate international travel and trade. I am pleased to work together with Canada and Mexico to lay the groundwork for expedited arrival screening for pre-approved travelers from all three countries.”

Foster will continue to monitor changes in the procedures for admission to the U.S. and will provide additional information in future Immigration Updates® and on our firm’s website at [www.fosterglobal.com](http://www.fosterglobal.com).