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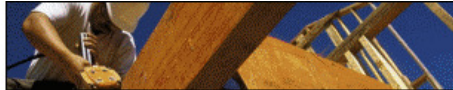


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**Canadian Chambers Develop Strategy**

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce, in consultation with local chambers have developed strategy in response to issues fuelling the countries financial crisis.

Winkler Chamber President Ken Thomas says there needs to be a balanced reasonable approach where everyone is working together to find a solution.

This includes immediate and intensive discussions with the business community....other levels of government, and key stakeholders to develop a coordinated response to the economic situation.

Thomas says there is no point putting together a plan that's unrealistic and will lead to long term structural deficits.

He says they're suggesting a short term support package in the range of half to 1.0 per cent of G.D.P..

The sectors needing urgent help also need to be identified...forestry and auto clearly being among those.

The work the Council of the Federation has done in terms of eliminating internal trade barriers, and mobility of labour... needs to be accelerated as well.

Meantime, Thomas says the chambers are dismayed by recent actions by all federal political parties.

He says the Canadian Chamber has written letters to all federal party leaders, and the governor general.

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