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## Canada Repeals Retaliatory Tariffs on U.S. Ag Products

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**Report Highlights:**

Effective May 19, 2019, Canada repealed its retaliatory import surtaxes on certain products imported from the United States, including agricultural products. Canadian importers are no longer required to pay the 10 percent charge on the agricultural products affected since July 2018.

**General Information:**

On May 19, 2019, following an [agreement](#) between the United States and Canada, the Canadian authorities [announced](#) the repeal of all retaliatory surtaxes adopted in response to measures imposed by the United States on imports of certain steel and aluminum products from Canada. Since July 1, 2018, certain U.S. agricultural products had been assessed a 10 percent surtax upon importation into Canada.

For the full list of products and additional information, please refer to GAIN Report [CA18046](#). The annual value of U.S. agricultural exports targeted by the Canadian surtaxes was estimated at \$2.5 billion.

According to the United States-Canada [Joint Statement](#), in the future, should retaliatory measures be adopted by one of the parties, these should only apply “in the affected sector (i.e., aluminum and aluminum-containing products or steel)”. Therefore, agricultural products should no longer be the target of retaliatory measures in response to actions related to aluminum and steel.