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## International Trade and Customs Practice Group Newsletter



### USMCA entry into force

#### **The United States–Mexico–Canada Agreement (USMCA) will enter into force on July 1, 2020.**

On April 24, 2020, U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer notified Congress that Canada and Mexico have taken the necessary measures to comply with USMCA. With this notification, the United States became the last Party to notify the completion of its domestic procedures to implement the Agreement. This means that USMCA will enter into force on July 1, the first day of the third month following the last notification.

With USMCA's entry into force, the next steps will be publication of the Uniform Regulations, naming the panelists for dispute settlement mechanisms, and a joint transition plan for its implementation considering the current worldwide situation, such as the coordinated strategy agreed to by the Parties to restart operations of the automotive sector in the region.

Our team of experts in the International Trade and Customs practice area are at your service, should you require additional information or support regarding compliance with USMCA.

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