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## **Vellacott on Supply Management**

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**OTTAWA** – The Western Producer has published an article that inaccurately states that Canada is putting its supply managed sectors on notice.

Saskatoon-Wanuskewin MP Maurice Vellacott responds, “This Conservative Government has consistently defended Canada’s supply management system in trade negotiations.”

Vellacott emphasized, “This new Conservative Government strongly supports Canada’s supply management system. Our Party policy supports it, we campaigned on it, and we have gone to the wall to defend elements important to our supply management system during international negotiations.”

Vellacott stressed that, “Canada will continue to stand in support of this system of supply management in the dairy, poultry, and egg sectors.”

Vellacott says, “We believe that an ambitious outcome to the WTO Doha Round is in the best interests of our economy. We will continue to pursue the elimination of export subsidies and significant market access improvements for our agricultural producers and exporters.”

Vellacott concluded, “Canada’s Conservative Government is committed to our farmers. We will continue to work with our industries so they can compete in the global market.”

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