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**STATEMENT REGARDING FIREARMS REFORMS APPROVED BY  
THE MEXICAN CONGRESS**

**SAN DIEGO (April 23, 2015)** – The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce today released the following statement regarding the passing of firearms reforms by the Mexican Congress:

**“Today’s vote by the Mexican Congress approving firearms reforms for law enforcement officers from foreign countries is a historic moment. This act of Congress will allow for joint US/Mexico pre-inspection facilities which is a critical component to the design and construction of 21st century ports of entry. The implementation of pre-operations in cooperation with various countries will increase efficiency, provide greater security, and reduce transaction costs for the mutual transit of goods and travelers by laying the foundation for customs pre-clearance. Today’s advancement further enhances the economic development of California and Mexico, our number one trading partner.”**

**- Paola Avila, Vice President of International Business Affairs,  
San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce**

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