Greetings from "FECOOTRA" "Conarcoop" and "Cooperative Work Commission of the Confederation of Argentina" to the Annual Assembly of the "Federation of Worker Cooperatives of Canada (CWCF)".

From the Working Cooperative movement of Argentina we greet the CWCF in its Annual Assembly, hoping it to be successful and that you can find the way to continue on the successful path that you have come walking in recent years. We also want to greet the meeting of CICOPA North America that will take place within the framework of this Assembly.

Thanks to the invitation extended to us in 2014, we found a great variety of cooperatives represented in the Federation and also that a lot of youth organizations were incorporated. This demonstrates the vitality of our movement from Tierra del Fuego to Canada.

On the other side, we witnessed how the adjustment policies and austerity have had a negative impact on the economic development of Canada, with the consequent impact on growth, development and projection of cooperatives and communities. However, once again, people united in solidarity and democracy have shown that this is the best way to satisfy human needs while at the same time safeguarding the livelihoods, local production structures and sustainability of our planet.

We are convinced that the CWCF is going to play a central role in this new phase of Canada and the world, and we also know that it will live up to the challenges presented and take the next step in the cultural, economic and political struggle that our sector needs to win in order to show the world that our daily work is a fundamental part of responses to global problems.

Therefore, our businesses are based on human needs and our responsibility to human development, wich is why we have reason to say we are building a better world.

We greet you warmly.

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