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As Canada's Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization (WTO), Mr Fried plays a key role in multilateral trade negotiations, having served as Chair of the WTO's General Council, and formerly as Chair of the Dispute Settlement Body.

Formerly Canada's Ambassador to Japan; Executive Director for Canada, Ireland and the Caribbean at the International Monetary Fund (IMF); Senior Foreign Policy Advisor to the Prime Minister; Senior Assistant Deputy Minister for the Department of Finance and Canada's G7 and G20 Finance Deputy, Mr. Fried has also served as Associate Deputy Minister; Assistant Deputy Minister for Trade, Economic and Environmental Policy; Chief Negotiator on China's WTO accession; Director General for Trade Policy; and chief counsel for NAFTA.

He chairs the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Trade and Investment, and is a member of the Steering Committee the e15 initiative on strengthening the Global Trading System.

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