

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

November 5, 2015

The Honorable Meredith Broadbent
Chairman
United States International Trade Commission
500 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20436

Dear Chairman Broadbent:

As you know, the United States has completed the negotiation of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP Agreement), a comprehensive free trade agreement with 11 nations in the Asia-Pacific region. The advice that the U.S. International Trade Commission (“Commission”) provided over the course of these negotiations assisted us greatly in bringing the negotiations to a successful conclusion.

The President notified Congress of his intent to enter into the agreement on November 5, 2015. Pursuant to authority delegated to me by the President and in accordance with section 105(c) of the Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015 (“Trade Priorities Act”) I request the Commission to prepare a report as specified in section 105(c)(2)-(3) of the Trade Priorities Act assessing the likely impact of the TPP Agreement on the United States economy as a whole and on specific industry sectors and the interests of U.S. consumers.

I would greatly appreciate it if the Commission could issue its report as soon as possible. I am providing the Commission with the details of the TPP Agreement as it exists at this time and will continue to keep the Commission current with respect to the details of the Agreement. In addition, I have instructed my staff to be available to answer questions or provide additional information on the Agreement.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Ambassador Michael B. G. Froman