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Dear Chairman Okun,

In September 2007, the Commission published its report on the Korea-U.S. (KORUS) Free Trade Agreement (FTA) pursuant to section 2104(f) of the Trade Act of 2002 (*U.S. - Korea Free Trade Agreement: Potential Economy-wide and Selected Sectoral Effects*, Investigation No. TA-2104-24 (USITC pub. 3949)).

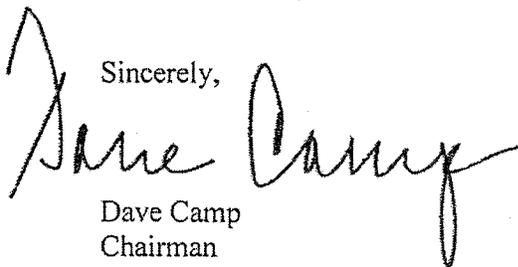
As you know, the United States and South Korea recently concluded negotiations that will provide additional market access for U.S. auto exports to South Korea, in particular, by addressing non-tariff barriers to U.S. exports. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and on behalf of the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives, I request that the Commission update its assessment of the impact of the motor vehicle-related provisions in the KORUS FTA, including the supplemental autos agreement, on the U.S. passenger vehicle sector. The Commission should use the most recent data available and should include a modeling simulation of the effects of the auto non-tariff barriers in its assessment.

In preparing its updated assessment, the Commission should consider the text of the Agreement, which we understand will be made public by the end of January, as well as any other information appropriate and consistent with the Commission's statutory mandate. I ask that this assessment be delivered at the earliest possible date, but no later than March 15, 2011.

As we intend to make the report available to the public, we request that the Commission not include confidential business information in its report.

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

Sincerely,



Dave Camp
Chairman