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113 U.S. and EU Organisations Urge EU and U.S. to Lift Retaliatory Tariffs on Products Unrelated to Transatlantic Trade Disputes

Lifting Tariffs Will Help Both Economies Recover From the COVID-19 Pandemic

In advance of the upcoming EU-U.S. summit in Brussels, the undersigned 113 organisations reiterate our call for the permanent removal of tariffs on sectors unrelated to the ongoing transatlantic trade disputes. The transatlantic relationship is of enormous economic importance to our sectors, and we are eager to see it protected and nurtured. We welcome the positive steps to de-escalate the disputes over the past few months and hope that both sides can build on this positive momentum to secure the permanent removal of retaliatory tariffs on our products.

We are encouraged by the decision to temporarily suspend tariffs imposed in connection to the World Trade Organization Airbus-Boeing disputes and by the ongoing U.S. and EU efforts to settle the dispute before the suspension ends. Our strong desire is to see an agreement before 11 July to permanently remove these tariffs. However, predictability is essential for businesses on both sides of the Atlantic. Our sectors, therefore, request advance notice that the tariffs will not return, even if there is a need for additional time to negotiate, to account for shipping times between the EU and the U.S.

We are also encouraged by the recent U.S.-EU joint statement on addressing global steel and aluminium excess capacity, and commend the EU's decision to postpone the second tranche of rebalancing tariffs until 1 December. While this six-month respite provides reassurance to affected sectors, we call on both parties to secure an agreement before the December deadline to permanently remove existing tariffs and not to introduce new tariffs. Indeed, products across a range of sectors continue to face destructive tariffs that are harming competitiveness and negatively impacting manufacturers, producers, farmers and logistics providers and many others on both sides of the Atlantic.

We are hopeful the recent positive momentum in both disputes will lead to the permanent removal of tariffs on unrelated sectors and an agreement not to introduce new tariffs in these transatlantic disputes. We call on our leaders to intensify negotiations to ensure that this happens without delay. Removing tariffs on unrelated sectors is essential to create the necessary certainty and stability to grow the transatlantic economy as it recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic. Securing the permanent removal of tariffs on unrelated sectors will also allow both sides to establish a positive transatlantic trade agenda and focus on common areas of interest.

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| <u>ACEM - European Association of Motorcycle Manufacturers</u> | <u>CLITRAVI - Liaison Centre for the Meat Processing Industry in the European Union</u> |
| <u>Agriculture Transportation Association</u> | <u>COCERAL - European association of trade in cereals, oilseeds, pulses, olive oil, oils and fats, animal feed and agrosupply</u> |
| <u>AIJN - European Fruit Juices Association</u> | <u>Colorado Distillers Guild</u> |
| <u>American Apparel & Footwear Association</u> | <u>Connecticut Spirits Trail</u> |
| <u>American Bakers Association</u> | <u>Corn Refiners Association</u> |
| <u>American Beverage Licensees</u> | <u>Cranberry Institute</u> |
| <u>American Chemistry Council</u> | <u>CRN - Council for Responsible Nutrition</u> |
| <u>American Craft Spirits Association</u> | <u>Distilled Spirits Council of the United States</u> |
| <u>American Cranberry Growers Association</u> | <u>Distillers Association of North Carolina</u> |
| <u>American Distilled Spirits Alliance</u> | <u>Drinks Ireland</u> |
| <u>American Distilling Institute</u> | <u>ECCIA - European Cultural and Creative Industries Alliance</u> |
| <u>American Farm Bureau Federation</u> | <u>ECF - European Coffee Federation</u> |
| <u>American Peanut Council</u> | <u>EDA - European Dairy Association</u> |
| <u>American Single Malt Whiskey Commission</u> | <u>EFFA - European Flavour Association</u> |
| <u>American Soybean Association</u> | <u>EPTA - European Power Tools Association</u> |
| <u>American Sweet Potato Marketing Institute</u> | <u>Espirituosos España - Federación Española de Espirituosos</u> |
| <u>APPLiA - Home Appliance Europe</u> | <u>EUCOLAIT - European Association of Dairy Trade</u> |
| <u>Arizona Craft Distillers Guild</u> | <u>EURATEX - The European Apparel and Textile Confederation</u> |
| <u>Associated Equipment Distributors</u> | <u>EUROMAT - European Gaming and Amusement Federation</u> |
| <u>Atlantic Seaboard Wine Association</u> | <u>European Boating Industry</u> |
| <u>BNIC - Bureau National Interprofessionnel du Cognac</u> | <u>Farmers for Free Trade</u> |
| <u>California Artisanal Distillers Guild</u> | <u>FEC - Federation of European manufacturers of Cookware and cutlery</u> |
| <u>CAOBISCO - Chocolate, Biscuits and Confectionery of Europe</u> | <u>FEMA - Flavor & Extract Manufacturers Association of the United States</u> |
| <u>Cape Cod Cranberry Growers' Association</u> | <u>FEVS - Fédération des Exportateurs de Vins & Spiritueux de France</u> |
| <u>CECE - Committee for European Construction Equipment</u> | <u>Florida Citrus Mutual</u> |
| <u>CECIMO - European Association of the Machine Tool Industries</u> | <u>Florida Citrus Packers</u> |
| <u>CEEV - Comité Européen des Entreprises Vin</u> | <u>Florida Craft Spirits Association</u> |
| <u>CEFIC - The European Chemical Industry Council</u> | <u>Food Export-Northeast</u> |
| <u>CEMA - European Agricultural Machinery Industry Association</u> | |
| <u>CEO - Comité Européen de l'Outillage</u> | |
| <u>Cheese Importers Association of America</u> | |

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