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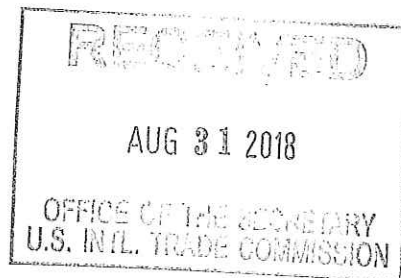
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THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

August 31, 2018



The Honorable David S. Johanson
Chairman
United States International Trade Commission
500 E St. SW
Washington, DC 20436


Dear Chairman Johanson:

Today, the President notified Congress of his intent to enter into a trade agreement with Mexico – and with Canada if it is willing, in a timely manner, to meet the high standards for free, fair, and reciprocal trade contained therein. 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 agreement on the United States economy as a whole and on specific industry sectors and interests of U.S. consumers.

I am providing the Commission with the details of the 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. I would greatly appreciate it if the Commission could issue its report as soon as possible after the agreement is signed.

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

Sincerely yours,


Ambassador Robert E. Lighthizer
United States Trade Representative