



THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
WASHINGTON

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The Honorable Steve Chabot  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Chabot:

Thank you for your letter regarding the U.S.-Taiwan bilateral trade relationship. As you know, Taiwan is the United States' eleventh largest trading partner and an important part of the global trading system.

Like you and your colleagues, I am committed to promoting a fair and reciprocal U.S.-Taiwan trade and investment relationship. This means continuing to expand market access for our manufacturers, workers, farmers, and ranchers and promoting high standard rules in our bilateral relationship. To that end, I will continue to work to address existing trade barriers that we face through the U.S.-Taiwan Trade and Investment Framework Agreement and other means of engagement. I am also happy to speak with you further about your interest in a bilateral trade agreement with Taiwan.

Thank you again for your letter, and I look forward to working closely with you and your colleagues on this and other issues going forward.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Lighthizer