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## Dear Mr President:

I am very concerned be trade negotiations. Trade treaties are very useful for our country. The economic successes here rely on foreign trade and on planning ahead. Political influence also relies on economic ties to other countries. Right now the future of trade policy seems very unclear. This lack of clarity is forcing the rest of the world to move to trade policies less reliant on the US. China is very enthusiastically increasing strong connections in Asia and weaker but rapidly strengthening ones in Europe and the Americas. The EU and Mexico are in direct talks. Being circumvented in trade will greatly weaken this country.

Please assure me that you will begin to focus on trade policy.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our worldwide economic dominance.

Sincerely, Eric Babson