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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about incoherent trade policies. Until a year ago US trade policy was expanding. The US had agreements in North America, Europe and had newly produced one in Asia. This was giving our companies access to markets and supply chains around the world and keeping US policy makers and diplomats in strong positions to influence world economies. Trade news for the past year has never centered on new agreements and plans by your administration but has instead been about things you have managed to destroy. Historically great civilizations throughout the ages have created and grown with extensive trade networks and have collapsed once those networks were lost. This week you have again threatened to add the North American agreement to those you have mangled and even your apologists in congress have encouraged you to at least do no more harm.

*Please assure me that you will work to encourage trade.*

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our worldwide influence.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson