



COA Commends Congressional Leaders for Hearing on Pending Trade Agreements

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Washington, DC, January 25, 2011 – The Council of the Americas commends Chairman Dave Camp (R-MI) and Ranking Democrat Sander Levin (D-MI), leaders for the House Ways and Means Committee on holding today’s hearing on the pending free trade agreements with Colombia, Panama, and South Korea and the creation of U.S. jobs.

“The pending agreements have languished far too long and the wait has hurt U.S. exporters,” says Susan Segal, president & CEO of the Council of the Americas. “With a new focus on trade expansion, Washington has an opportunity to reset relations in the hemisphere for mutual benefit.”

The Council of the Americas urges the Administration and Congress to pass the pending agreements to ensure that U.S. global market share is not diminished by countries that have attained a comparative advantage over U.S. exporters by enacting their own trade agreements.

The Council of the Americas has submitted testimony for the record, which can be found [here](#).

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