

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

September 17, 2007

U.S. Ambassadors to Peru say:

“Peru Trade Promotion Agreement will promote economic development in Peru and also provide important opportunities for U.S. manufacturers, service providers, and farmers”

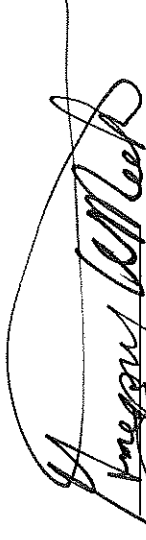
Dear Colleague:

We wanted to share with you the view of recent U.S. ambassadors to Peru on the importance of the PTPA for both the United States as well as Peru. Working in partnership, the agreement will help to alleviate poverty in Peru while opening a new market for U.S. exports. Please read their views below.



Jerry Weller
Member of Congress

Sincerely,



Gregory Meeks
Member of Congress

September 17, 2007

Dear members of the United States Congress:

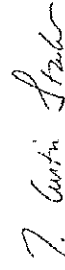
We the undersigned former U.S. ambassadors to Peru are writing to urge your support for the U.S.-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement (PTPA). This landmark agreement will advance the U.S. strategic interests of strengthening democratic governance and sustainable, market-based economic growth in the Andean region.

PTPA is a critical bulwark in the U.S. strategy to support the fight of our friends in the Andean region against narco-trafficking, terrorism, and poverty. This strategy builds on a strong foundation of bipartisan support and real results. Through 16 years of unilateral trade preferences granted by the Congress, the United States has helped bring nearly a million Peruvians into the formal economy through export-led growth.

By locking in these benefits, PTPA will promote economic development in Peru and also provide its citizens with long-term alternatives to narcotics trafficking or illegal immigration. It will also provide important new opportunities for U.S. manufacturers, service providers, and farmers in this fast growing market.

It is in the national interest of the United States to help friends and allies such as Peru achieve democratic consolidation and economic development. PTPA will advance U.S. security and economic interests by forging a deeper partnership with a valued ally and setting an example for other countries around the world. We urge the Congress to approve PTPA as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



J. Curtis Struble
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 2004-2007



Dennis Jett
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 1996-1999



Alexander Watson
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 1986-1989



Edwin Corr
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 1984-1986



John R. Hamilton
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 1999-2002



Alvin Adams
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 1993-1996



David Jordan
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 1980-1981



Harry Shlaudeman
U.S. Ambassador to Peru 1977-1980