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The Honorable Dave Camp
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The Honorable Sander Levin
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RE: Opposition to H.R. 5530

Dear Chairman Camp and Ranking Member Levin:

The American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition (AMTAC) represents U.S. manufacturers of various types of textile and apparel products. We are writing to strongly oppose H.R. 5530, a bill to suspend temporarily the rate of duty on certain woven fabrics of synthetic staple fibers, containing 85 percent or more by weight of polyester staple fibers (provided for in subheading 5512.19.00).

We are opposed to this bill because it grants duty relief to products that are made here in the United States. Milliken & Company, based in Spartanburg, SC, and Copland Industries, based in Burlington, NC, are both currently producing the fabric described in this bill. Granting duty-free treatment on the subject fabric would have a negative impact on these domestic companies and their employees. As a result, we oppose the inclusion of H.R. 5530 in any final Miscellaneous Tariff Bill (MTB) package.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on H.R. 5530. We greatly appreciate your noting our opposition to this bill.

Sincerely,



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