

## COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, DC 20515

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The Hon. Kevin Brady  
Chairman  
Committee on Ways and Means  
1011 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Brady:

As the Administration has recently started signaling clear intentions to conclude the NAFTA renegotiation in the very near term, we write to urge that the Ways and Means Committee hold a hearing on the NAFTA renegotiation with the Administration. A hearing would provide Committee Members a critical opportunity to examine the Administration's progress and conduct the necessary oversight of the Administration's efforts to renegotiate the agreement.

The Trump Administration formally initiated the NAFTA renegotiation nearly eight months ago in August 2017 and is seeking an imminent conclusion to the renegotiation. In February, Committee Democrats led by Rep. Bill Pascrell Jr., Ranking Member of the Trade Subcommittee, sent a letter to Trade Subcommittee Chairman Reichert requesting a NAFTA renegotiation hearing with the Administration. This followed a private letter that Rep. Pascrell sent to Trade Subcommittee Chairman Reichert requesting a hearing on NAFTA in October 2017.

More than 25 years ago, during the original NAFTA negotiations, this Committee brought forward United States Trade Representatives, Secretaries of Labor, and Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency to testify multiple times. Yet the Ways and Means Committee has not, to date, convened a single hearing dedicated to the renegotiation of NAFTA with Administration witnesses.

It is high time for the Committee to exercise its Congressional duties as the Committee of jurisdiction over reciprocal trade agreements. As members of the Committee on Ways and Means, we urge you to convene a hearing with the Administration on the NAFTA renegotiation as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Richard E. Neal  
Ranking Member



The Honorable Bill Pascrell, Jr.  
Trade Subcommittee Ranking Member



The Honorable Sander M. Levin



The Honorable John Lewis



The Honorable Lloyd Doggett



The Honorable Mike Thompson



The Honorable John B. Larson



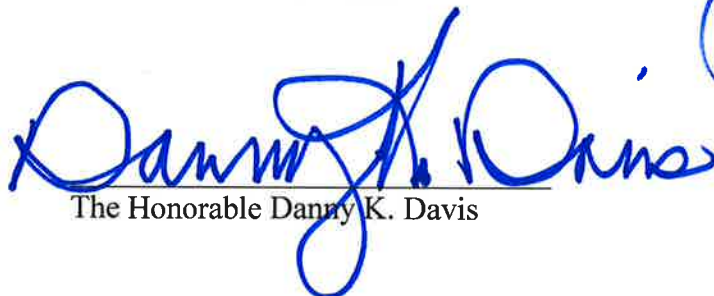
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