## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Ambassador Michael B. Froman Office of the U.S. Trade Representative 600 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20508

## Dear Ambassador Froman:

We write to you today to request that you publicly release advice from the Labor Advisory Committee on Trade Negotiations and Trade Policy (LAC) concerning the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), including anything entitled "Interim Report," any correspondence dated September 3, 2014, and any related annexes.

As Congress considers legislation to give the President trade promotion authority (TPA) in order to facilitate Congressional consideration of trade agreements. The TPP agreement being negotiated is one of the most significant the U.S. has ever pursued and will have major implications for the well-being of American workers and our nation's future. Given the implications of the TPP we believe it is necessary for Congress and the public to be able to review the concerns raised in the LAC's advice submission in order to better inform our consideration of TPA legislation, as well as TPP and other trade agreements.

We share your support for strong protections for American jobs, wages, health and safety, and standard of living of working Americans. While we understand the sensitivity of delicate multilateral negotiations, we as a country must fully understand the impact to working families across America. The LAC's advice and related documents submitted to USTR would provide Congress and the public with important insights into the potential impact of the TPP on the U.S. economy and workers—insights that we feel are important to consider prior to floor consideration of any TPA or TPP-enabling legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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