

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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The Honorable David S. Johanson
Chairman, International Trade Commission
500 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20436

Dear Chairman Johanson:

We write to express our strong support for the efforts by American cabinet and vanity manufacturers to combat subsidized and dumped imports from China, and urge the Commission to carefully consider the facts presented by the domestic industry in the final investigation phase of this proceeding.

The International Trade Commission unanimously found in its preliminary determination last year that there was a reasonable indication that this U.S. manufacturing industry was suffering material injury due to Chinese imports. We note that the volume of imported cabinets from China has increased significantly in recent years, from \$1.0 billion in 2016 to \$1.6 billion in 2018. Further, the U.S. Department of Commerce calculated preliminary dumping and subsidy margins of 200 percent or more for certain producers in these investigations. The U.S. wooden cabinet and vanity industry has suffered as a result of these practices. Despite increasing demand for their products, U.S. production and capacity utilization has dropped. This is because increasing Chinese imports significantly undersell American-made products.

In Oregon and across America, cabinet and vanity producers are an important source of employment. Collectively, the industry and downstream industries employ more than 250,000 U.S. workers. When facilities are closed by unfair trade, communities are severely harmed. Chinese producers who benefit from subsidies result in a playing field that tilts in their favor and against hard-working American manufacturers, costing American jobs.

We appreciate the Commission's work to date on this important matter, and urge the Commission to ensure U.S. trade remedy laws are fully enforced.

Sincerely,



Ron Wyden
United States Senator



Jeffrey A. Merkley
United States Senator