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Dear Member of Congress:

We write to express our strongest possible support for the *Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015*, also known as Trade Promotion Authority (TPA).

As Chief Executive Officers of the nation's leading technology companies, we have a distinct perspective on the rapidly changing global economy and the critical need for a 21st century trade policy to promote America's innovation and technological leadership.

At a time when American businesses and economic activity continues to rapidly migrate to the Internet, many of our trading partners have established digital trade barriers that constrain the ability of U.S. companies to effectively and efficiently export digital products and services. If left unchecked, these barriers will cause significant damage to American technological leadership and impact the growth of the innovation economy.

TPA confronts these challenges directly. The bill maintains America's strong and established support for the export of hardware, semiconductors, parts and other equipment while modernizing TPA to create new and necessary protections against damaging forced localization requirements and support for cross-border data flows, which are essential to the future of the digital economy.

Put simply, the *Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015* sets a gold standard for trade agreements and will provide essential protections for America technology companies, their workers and customers for years to come.

We urge you to support TPA and pass it as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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