

United States Senate

March 13, 2025

The Honorable Jamieson Greer
United States Trade Representative
Executive Office of the President
600 17th Street NW
Washington DC 20508

Dear Representative Greer:

I write to offer my congratulations on your confirmation as United States Trade Representative. I appreciated our meeting during your Senate confirmation process, and I hope that you will continue to keep the issues we discussed in mind as you perform your duties.

As you know, trade policy is vital to defend American interests. The U.S. seafood industry desperately needs its competitors brought into line. China is a global seafood hub with ever-increasing domestic consumption. It should be buying more Alaskan seafood. The first Trump administration wrung concessions from it in this regard. Now, as you and I agreed, China must be held to its seafood commitments under the 2020 "Phase One" trade agreement, and barring that, pay a price for its failure to meet them.

We also discussed the need to address trade inequities that undercut our hardworking American fishermen. Countries like Russia and China illegally exploit the oceans and utilize cheap or forced labor to artificially lower their prices. In turn, they flood both U.S. and global markets and steal market share from U.S. fishermen. I am heartened that you understand the importance of the reciprocal sanction executive orders banning Russian seafood—even if it is processed in China. However, we need to do more to level the playing field for American fishermen.

I request that you initiate an investigation under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 into Russian and Chinese seafood practices. I am confident that you will find an industry rife with illegal and unfair activities that burden U.S. commerce. Our fishermen fish sustainably, have the highest quality product in the world, and want to feed families in America and around the world. We simply cannot continue to allow Americans to be taken advantage of in the seafood market.

On the matter of the Alaska Gasline project that President Trump has made such a major priority for his administration, I look forward to continuing our discussion of how we can use trade policy to meet his enthusiasm and sense of urgency.

Congratulations again on your confirmation. I am excited to work with you and I look forward to seeing you in Alaska soon.

Sincerely,

Dan Sullivan

Dan Sullivan
United States Senator

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