



New Democrat Coalition

Support Vietnam PNTR

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Dear NDC Colleague:

Today, Representatives Jim Ramstad and Mike Thompson will introduce legislation granting Vietnam Permanent Normal Trade Relations (PNTR) status. As members of the New Democrat Coalition who support increased trade that benefits the United States, and as original cosponsors of this legislation, we encourage your cosponsorship of this important bill.

The United States is the last major country to take this step in granting PNTR to Vietnam. We believe this will go a long way toward further opening Vietnam to American industrial and agricultural goods and services. In addition, Vietnam's WTO membership will provide the U.S. key dispute settlement processes for any trade issues between the two countries that may arise in the future.

Again, we encourage you to cosponsor this legislation and support it when it comes to the House floor for a vote. To cosponsor, please contact Colton Campbell with Rep. Mike Thompson at x53311.

Sincerely,

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