



America's Pro-Israel Lobby

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Dear Senators Cardin and Portman,

Today, on the 30th anniversary of the signing of the U.S.-Israel Free Trade Agreement, we write in strong support of your bipartisan amendment on boycott, divestment and sanctions actions against Israel. We urge Senate Finance Committee members to approve this amendment to the Trade Promotion Authority (TPA) measure currently being considered.

We believe it is essential that this bill include principal negotiating objectives for our trade negotiators in the effort to ensure that European governments both take no action that could impede U.S.-Israel commerce and dismantle existing politically-motivated boycotts against Israel. This would instruct the administration to use the tools at its disposal to push back against such practices during upcoming trade negotiations with Europe.

We hope the committee will support your amendment and not dilute its language. Your effort is consistent with Congress' long-established record in combatting foreign boycotts against Israel.

We thank you for your leadership and encourage all members of the Senate Finance Committee to support your amendment as crafted.

Sincerely,

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