

March 25, 2016

Aimee Larsen
Director for GSP
Office of the United States Trade Representative
600 17th Street NW.
Washington, D.C. 20508

Comment on TPSC Hearing on 2015/2016 GSP Annual Product Review: USTR-2015-0013

Dear Ms. Larsen:

The undersigned organizations and companies are writing to express strong support for adding **all** eligible travel goods articles to the list of products that may be imported duty-free from **all** Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) beneficiary countries.

Designating these travel goods – articles like backpacks, purses, luggage, and pocket goods (such as wallets, key cases, and cosmetic bags) – as eligible under the GSP program for all countries creates the maximum benefit for the United States and the developing world.

The widest possible GSP designations would enable U.S. travel goods companies to lower duty costs, which will, in turn, create and support U.S. jobs, lower prices to benefit U.S. consumers, and/or spur innovation in these articles.

Because the vast majority of travel goods sold in the United States are imported from just one GSP-ineligible country, designating these articles as eligible for the full range of GSP countries would further diversify sourcing, leading to job creation in communities throughout the developing world.

We urge that all statutorily-eligible travel goods be designated for all GSP eligible countries.

Sincerely,

Companies and Brands

24-7 International
Abercrombie & Fitch
The adidas Group
Adolfo
Agron
American Eagle Outfitters
Andiamo
Ann Inc

Ascena
Atlantic
Augusta Sportswear
Auto-Expand
Avanti
Bauer
Belk
BSN Sports
Callaway Golf

Ciao!
Coach, Inc.
Columbia Sportswear Company
Delsey
Design Go Ltd.
Dick's Sporting Goods
Eagle Creek
Easton
Eddie Bauer
Exxel Outdoors, LLC
Gap Inc.
Gina Group
Global Brands Group
Go Travel
Goldbug, Inc.
it luggage
ITOCHU Prominent USA LLC
Jaclyn, Inc.
Jansport
JoAnn Stores, LLC.
Kate Spade & Company
Kelty
Kipling
Leisure Merchandising Corp.
Levi Strauss & Co.
LifeGear Design
Lite Gear Bags
London Fog Luggage
Marmot Mountain LLC
McCrary International
MICHAEL KORS
Mystery Ranch
New Balance Athletics, Inc.
The North Face Equipment
OGIO International Inc.
Olivet International
Pantera
Pathfinder
Performance Sports Group
Polyconcept North America
PVH Corp
Ricardo Beverly Hills
Simms Fishing Products
Skyway
Slumberjack
Stephanie Johnson

Tailgaterz
Target
Targus US LLC
TellaS Ltd.
Timberland
Timbuk2
Tory Burch LLC
Travelpro Int'l Inc.
Tumi Holdings, Inc.
Ultimate Direction
Under Armour
URBN, Inc.
Vans
Verdi
VF Corporation
Victorinox Swiss Army, Inc.
Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.
Waverly
Wenzel
Williamson-Dickie Manufacturing
Company
World's Lightest

Associations

American Apparel & Footwear
Association (AAFA)
American Association of Exporters
and Importers (AAEI)
Coalition of New England
Companies for Trade
Columbia River Customs Brokers &
Forwarders Association
Customs Brokers & International
Freight Forwarders of
Washington State
Customs Brokers and Forwarders
Association of Northern California
Emergency Committee for
American Trade (ECAT)
Express Association of America
(EAA)
Fashion Accessory Shippers
Association (FASA)
Gemini Shippers Association
Los Angeles Customs Brokers and
Freight Forwarders Association

National Foreign Trade Council
(NFTC)
National Retail Federation (NRF)
Outdoor Industry Association (OIA)
Pacific Coast Council of Customs
Brokers and Freight Forwarders
Association
Promotional Products Association
International (PPAI)
Retail Industry Leaders Association

(RILA)
San Diego Customs Brokers
Association
Sports & Fitness Industry
Association
Toy Industry Association (TIA)
Travel Goods Association (TGA)
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
U.S. Fashion Industry Association
(USFIA)