

July 16, 2021

MEMORANDUM FOR: Diane Farrell

Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade and

Deputy Under Secretary for International Trade

International Trade Administration

FROM: Arthur Scott

Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

SUBJECT: Audit of ITA's Efforts to Resolve Foreign Trade Barriers

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We are initiating an audit of the International Trade Administration's (ITA's) efforts to resolve foreign trade barriers. Our objective is to assess the progress and actions taken by ITA to remove and reduce foreign trade barriers.

We plan to begin this work immediately. We will contact your office to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we can discuss in further detail the specific nature of our project—including our objective and scope, time frames, and any potential needs for us to be provided data. If you have any questions about this audit, please contact me at (202) 577-9547 or Terry Storms, Division Director for Census and Trade, at (202) 570-6903.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this effort.

cc: Jennifer Eveland, Audit Liaison, ITA
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