

The Honorable Ron Kirk  
United States Trade Representative  
Executive Office of the President  
Washington, D.C. 20508

Dear Ambassador Kirk:

Pursuant to Section 2104 (e) of the Trade Act of 2002 and Section 135 (e) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, I am pleased to transmit the addendum to the report of the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee for Trade in Fruits and Vegetables on the proposed KORUS, reflecting consensus and additional advisory opinion on the proposed agreement.

Sincerely,

Mark Powers

Chair  
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**AGRICULTURAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR TRADE IN FRUITS  
AND VEGETABLES**

**ADDENDUM TO THE COMMITTEE'S APRIL 2007 REPORT ON  
THE UNITED STATES-KOREA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT**

The Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee on Trade in Fruits and Vegetables reaffirms the views and recommendations expressed in its April 2007 Report on the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement (KorUS). The Committee continues to believe that KorUS is a positive trade agreement on the whole and should deliver substantial export gains for the U.S. fruit, nut, vegetable, and wine sectors. For those fruit and vegetable items where more meaningful Korean market access is still essential (*e.g.*, fresh oranges, which will be subject under KorUS to a negligible, in-season tariff quota, with a 50% over-quota rate), the Committee calls on the U.S. Government to continue pursuing market liberalization through all possible bilateral and multilateral means. The Committee applauds the Administration's intention to enact KorUS by no later than July 1, 2011, when the EU-Korea FTA is scheduled to take effect, and urges that all necessary steps be taken to satisfy that timeline so that U.S. fruit, nut, vegetable, and wine producers and exporters do not lose ground in the Korean market to competitive EU products.