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TechAmerica  
The U.S. Chamber of Commerce**

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General James Jones  
National Security Advisor  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.  
Washington, DC 20500

The Honorable Lawrence Summers  
Director, National Economic Council  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear General Jones and Dr. Summers,

On behalf of the Export Control Practitioners Group, we would like to commend the Administration for initiating a broad review of the current export control system. We understand the complexity of the process, and we look forward to working with you as it moves forward. Please find attached our paper that lays out practical recommendations that focus on reform that is simple, transparent, and efficient.

The Export Control Practitioners Group has been active for the past decade. It is a diverse group consisting of the signed associations, along with businesses, law firms, and practitioners well-versed in all aspects of the export control process from both the industry and government side. Since the Administration's announcement, the group has focused on preparing these recommendations in order to assist the reform process in achieving its goals of a streamlined mechanism with higher walls around fewer items.

The world has changed significantly since the enactment of the first Export Administration Act in 1949, and while we continue to support strong actions to protect our security, the system badly needs reforms that will enhance our security while retaining America's competitive lead in high technology. We hope our paper will provide you with guidance as you move forward.

Sincerely,

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