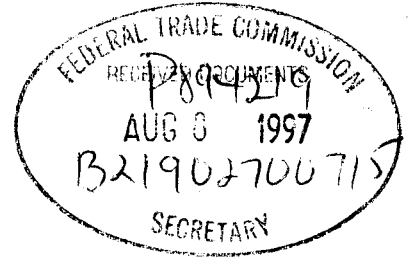


August 3, 1997
202 Harrison Avenue
Warwick, RI 02888



Secretary Donald Clark
Federal Trade Commission
6* Street & Pennsylvania Avenue
Room 172
Washington, D. C. 10580

Dear Mr. Clark,

I am writing to you today to comment on the proposed changes dealing with the labeling of products "Made in USA".

I have been made aware that the elected leaders of this nation have decided once again to slice open the heart of the women and men who are engaged in the building of domestically made products, and labeled as such.

I am amazed every time some paid off politician comes up with a scheme like this to line the pockets of his/her business constituents, while virtually sentencing this country to death.

I would have thought by now that the mainstream media would have grown a conscience and started reporting the truth about trade mistakes such as: NAFTA, GATT and all the back door deals that have brought products in this county through kickbacks and payoffs. We as educated consumers know, these deals have done nothing to help this country, or any country for that matter, all they have done is stuff the bellies of fat cats who invest without regard to the lives of their fellow man.

In my area, manufacturing is almost non-existent, abandoned factories lay silent like a burned out forest, all small business that relied on factory workers for support are drying up every day. This will not stop until we reverse the current trade deals and bring the 600,000 jobs back from Mexico, and the millions of jobs back from China, Burma and al! the other nations that have stolen the American Dream.

I fight people every day on the issue "Buying American", the hundreds of people I speak to a month are all to aware of the fact that self serving politicians have sold America down the river, but I am always able to convince them that they have the ultimate vote at the checkout. tell corrupt politicians where they can put their imports and Buy Made In USA. Now, that a semi-renaissance is taking place and people are looking for that label, the greedy politicians wish to twist the rules once again to line their pockets.

I am always able to find what I am looking for when I shop, made in the USA, many say you cannot but I have proven them wrong also. I always check the label and whenever possible look for the Union Label! also, so I may be assured that the people building the goods have been treated

fairly under a collective bargaining agreement. If it is necessary to purchase an imported product I do as much research as I can to assure that I purchase only from countries that have a history of the same moral, social and economic standards that this great nation once enjoyed.

Unfortunately for the American worker, but very fortunately for corrupt business; the American people are extremely naive, they actually believe that congress cares about what happens to them, and like hogs led to slaughter, they walk along quietly to their certain demise, absolutely unaware of the nation of poverty the government has built for their children. This, as sad as it may seem, is absolute fact, the few who still care about supporting the our nations work force, have little time to voice their opinion or campaign against what is happening around them. Through a very effective procedure of breaking the back of the nation, big business has managed to silence the people by forcing them to work to many hours to ever have the strength left to fight.

There is an answer here though, I know that we can never change the way the government treats the people, and from who's mouth the spoon is tom, but through grass roots mobilization on the public end, awareness and change can be instituted. It is a simple equation to figure out, if everyone **refused** to purchase imported products, there would be no more imported products. I suggest a label of that simply states how much is made in **USA**, nothing **complex**, just a decal that states the percentage of materials and labor used on the product. I have written letters to hundreds of large American companies about their outsourcing of manufacturing to nations other than our own. The ones who bothered to respond, all stated proudly that the "Global Economy" is a great thing for the manufacturing industry. If they are so proud, then why must you search the box from *AMERICAN LIGHTING* for the tiny words that **say**: "made in china"? I would think the business community would be incredibly proud to display the country of origin on their product, this could help reinforce their stance how they are helping our nation out with MFR deals with China. A person would have to be completely ignorant to think that every Made In USA product, is **100%** made in **USA**, so why not let us know how much we are talking about, it would certainly help you choose Ford over Chrysler, and might make a difference elsewhere down the road. Or maybe that's the big fear, think about it.

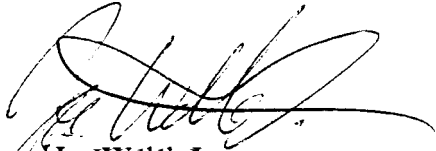
Today, an aware shopper has to still call the *PSYCHIC FRIENDS NETWORK* before they make a purchase, I till give you a few **quick examples, products on the Internet are never labeled Made in USA or Import, most shop at home catalogs do not specify Made in USA or Import, and if** they do, companies such as *L. L. BEAN*, write it in a deceptive way as to fool the unaware shopper, this I know where as I have noticed dozens of fiends of mine that have fallen for their creative capitols and small print placement in the catalog. Another issue you can see on the enclosed papers. I have a friend who's wife decided to purchase a COWBOYS sweatshirt from sports Illustrated, this was advertised as Made in USA, yet it was actually Made in China, I brought this to Sports Illustrated' attention, yet six months later, the same information in a new ad and catalog came out. This is not just my imagination, big business has worked very hard at numbing the American People so they can **further** increase their profits. This is proven in **every** statistic of personal wealth in this country.

I am aware that this letter will not change anything in the Labeling game, but I cannot just sit back and let my county be stripped away with out some outcry, so please if you have any shred of the

beliefs that this nation, this government and all of creation have been founded on, you will fight with your every breath to make sure that the raping of the American people is forced to stop, because we will all be judged one day for our crimes and crusades, I would think that we would all like to get a favorable grade on that exam.

In closing, I wish to thank you sir for your time and patience, I am forwarding some copies of this letter to a few people who might share these views, maybe not: but it is worth a shot. I feel if a few influential people make an effort to institute change, this nation will undoubtedly be once again cherished by all who live here, and dreamed about by all who do not.

Sincerely,



Joseph L. Walsh Jr.

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Easy on/off with snap at hood

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Direct embroid

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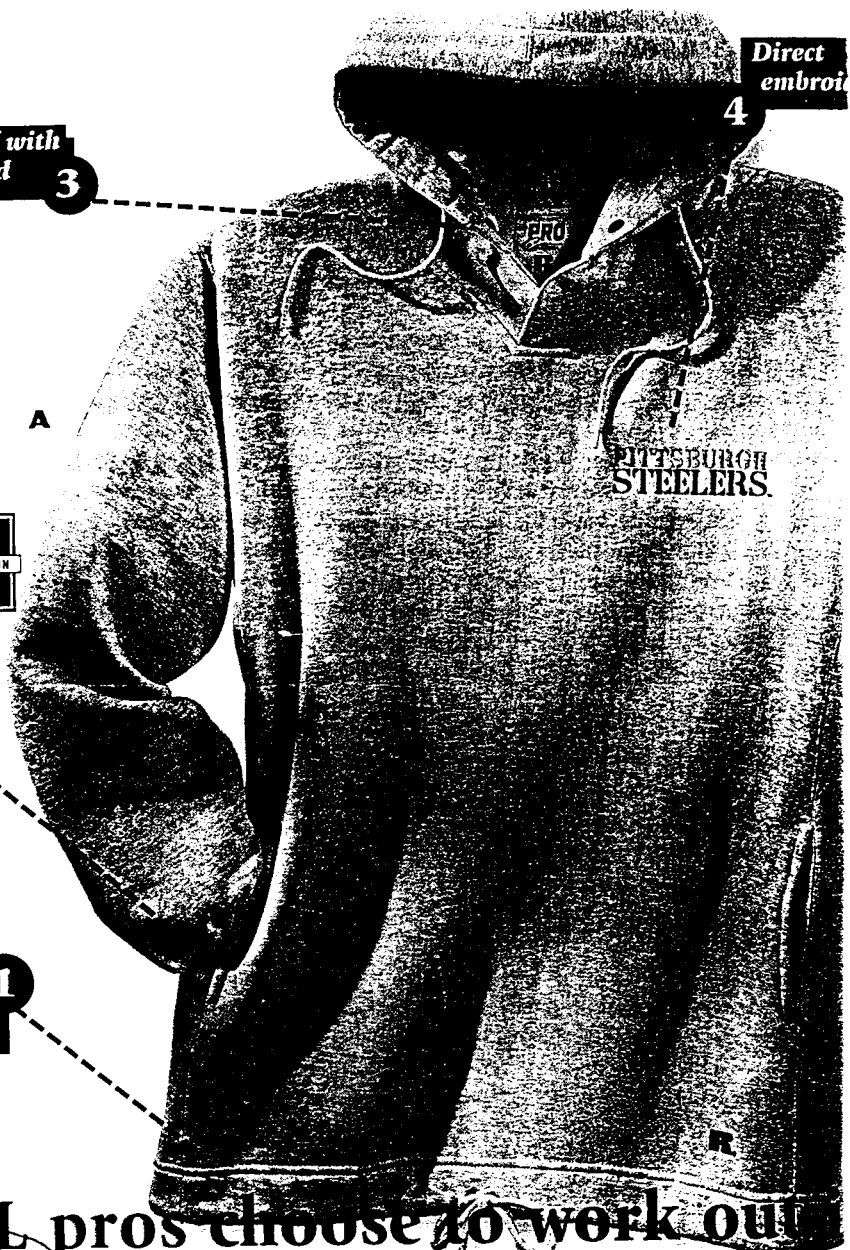


Deep pockets

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Open bottom with drawstring

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Chargers	A	B	C	D
Chiefs	A	B	C	D
Colts	A			D
Cowboys				D
Dolphins	A	B	C	D
Eagles	A		C	D
49ers	A			D
Giants	A	B	C	D
Jaguars	A	B	C	D
Packers	A	B		D
Panthers				D
Patriots		B	C	D
Raiders	A	B		D
Rams	A			D
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