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Subject: "Made In The USA" Labeling

Made in USA Policy Comment,
Office of the Secretary,
Federal Trade Commission
Room159, Sixth and Pennsylvania Ave,NW,
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Dear Ms. Grossman,

I am writing this letter in response to an article which I have recently read in my 100al newspaper that stated the Federal Trade Commission is considering a change to the requirements for **goods** to be labeled as "Made inThe USA". I wish to express extreme dissatisfaction with what you are considering .**For many years it has been** my practice to look **for** goods that **carry** the **label** "Made in the USA" and I have been **willing** to spend the resources of time and money to **acquire** these goods because I **believe** that one should support your own country and the laws by which it is governed. Our **country** does not exploit children or that portion of society which may not be equipped **to** fight **against** the harsh **practices** of some of the foreign countries which do not care **for** human rights.

The change which you are considering will no longer permit me to make a choice **to support** those of my country who **produce** the **goods** I need and want, **even** if I am willing to invest the additional resources .**This** will in the **long** run result in my having to **spend** resources that **ultimately** will **end up** in **some** foreign economy while removing jobs and capital from the US **economy**, this in my opinion in the worst **mistake** we **can** make. **The world economy and global competition already has the USA at a disadvantage as our standard of living is so much higher than the other countries against** which we compet and your proposal will remove any way for those consumers **who wish to make the effort** to support their fellow **countrymen** impossible.

When I see the words "Made in the USA" on a product I believe I **am getting** value for the resources **which** I must **invest** and want to continue to know that this means that **virtually all** of that product has been made in **9** country under laws **which** protect the individual **from** oppression and not **delute** the **pride** which I have **in** our system of **freedom**.I believe the auto **industry reduction** in jobs has been to a significant **degree** a result of **permitting** this type of **thing** to **occur** and we **should** not continue to **export** **manufacturing base** or we will loose our **standard of living faster than one may expect**.

CC: **Sen. John H. Glenn**
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