

November 2, 2021

The Honorable Ron Wyden Chair Committee on Finance United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Mike Crapo Ranking Member Committee on Finance United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chair Wyden and Ranking Member Crapo:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce supports the nomination of Christopher S. Wilson to serve as the Chief Innovation and Intellectual Property Negotiator with the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR).

Mr. Wilson is a highly qualified nominee, with over two decades of service to USTR. Throughout his career in the government, he has utilized trade policy to further IP protection with key U.S. trading partners abroad. Serving in multiple roles within USTR, Mr. Wilson has a keen understanding of the landscape of global IP protection, both in foreign countries and multilateral institutions. Mr. Wilson's long record of public service has prepared him well to advance effective IP protection through bilateral dialogues and free trade negotiations with other countries.

The Chamber supports the nomination of Mr. Wilson to serve as the Chief Innovation and Intellectual Property Negotiator at USTR. We urge the Committee to favorably report Mr. Wilson's nomination to the full Senate.

Sincerely,

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U.S. Chamber of Commerce

cc: Members of the Senate Committee on Finance