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Attachments: Suggested Multi-Governors Ltr on Russia PNTR - Dft 2.docx

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Importance: High

Gubernatorial Colleagues:

With Russia set to enter into the WTO soon, Governors Gregoire and Daugaard would like to have your bosses join them on the attached letter, asking Congress to authorize the President to enter into nondiscriminatory trade relations with Russia. There has been bipartisan legislation introduced in the Senate by Sens. Baucus, McCain, Thune and Kerry to make this happen.

Please let Shelly Irby (cc'd) know if your boss will sign onto the letter by COB next Monday, July 9, and don't hesitate calling if you have any questions.

Also, given their interest, you may hear from the Business Roundtable on this -- as well as your local chambers. In fact, the Business Roundtable actually sent out a letter to every governor a few weeks ago, soliciting gubernatorial assistance with Congress to get PNTR passed.

Thank you,
Mark

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