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Update**

Katherine Tai Pressed at Confirmation Hearing to Resolve Large Civil Aircraft Dispute

During the [confirmation hearing](#) for Katherine Tai, President Biden's nominee to head the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), several U.S. Senators questioned Ms. Tai regarding the urgent need to resolve the decades old dispute with the European Union over aircraft subsidies.

Specifically, Senator Robert Menendez (NJ-D), a longstanding ally of CIAA, pressed Ms. Tai about the need to resolve the dispute due to its significant impact on the food importing community and food supply chain, including restaurants. Senator Menendez's comments and questions to Ms. Tai begin at 02:06:30 on the [hearing recording](#) and his question on the Large Civil Aircraft Dispute begins at 2:11:00.

Ms. Tai said the dispute had contributed to the collapse of the World Trade Organization's dispute settlement system, and she looked forward to working to resolve it, if confirmed as U.S. Trade Representative. "If confirmed, I would very much be interested in figuring out, pardon the pun, how to land this particular plane because it has been going on for a very long time," Ms. Tai told the Senate Finance Committee. Senator Menendez ended the engage expressing the need resolve the dispute as a whole, but to particularly remove cheese and dairy products from the tariffs because "cheese doesn't fly."

During the hearing, Ms. Tai received widespread, bipartisan praise during her confirmation hearing. Senators touted her experience, while lauding Ms. Tai's commitment to pursue trade policies that will benefit all Americans. Ms. Tai is still awaiting confirmation from the Senate Finance Committee and the full U.S. Senate, which we anticipate to occur sometime in March.

The Husch Blackwell team is preparing a summary of the hearing and will share it with the CIIA members upon its completion. If you have any questions, please contact the Husch Blackwell team at CIIAGeneralCounsel@huschblackwell.com.

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INDUSTRY DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH 1, 2021 (approximately)

FAS issues final notice of calendar year 2021 licenses to licensees.

March 15, 2021

The license fee for each license issued is due and payable in full no later than March 15 of the year for which the license is issued. Licenses issued after March 15 of any quota year are payable in full no later than 10 days from the date of issuance. Fee payments are payable to the Treasurer of the United States and shall be made solely utilizing the electronic software designated for the purpose by the Licensing Authority.

JULY 1, 2021

Last day for an exporting country that is not designating importers for calendar year 2021 to notify FAS.

AUGUST 31, 2021

Last day to enter dairy products into U.S. Customs territory that may be used to qualify and establish eligibility for a calendar year 2021 license.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

First day of license eligibility period for next quota year-plus one. Example: entries made on or after September 1, 2021 can be used to establish eligibility for a license for calendar year 2022.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

Last date to request globalization of a calendar year 2020 license. First transmission date for applications for reallocated license amounts for calendar year 2020. First transmission date for all applications for calendar year 2021 licenses.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for licensees applying for reallocated license amounts for calendar year 2021.

OCTOBER 1, 2021

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for licensees to surrender all or the unused portion of their calendar year 2021 licenses.

OCTOBER 15, 2021

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for all applications for calendar year 2022 licenses.

OCTOBER 31, 2021

Exporting countries that are designating U.S. importers for calendar year 2022 must submit their designations to FAS by this date.

DECEMBER 20, 2021

(approximately) FAS issues first notice of calendar year 2022 licenses to licensees.

DECEMBER 31, 2021

Last day for licensees to make entries to fulfill the requirement to use 85% of their calendar year 2021 license amount. Last day for which calendar year 2021 licenses are valid

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