

You've got to talk to your friends, including your Republican friends. You need to go to [iwillvote.com](http://iwillvote.com) and register to vote by October 11. Then you've got to go to the polls, and you've got to get people to go to the polls. And if you're willing to do that with me, we'll win in November. We'll elect Hillary Clinton the next President of the United States. We will continue on this journey to create a better America and a fairer America, a more just America, a more loving America, a brighter America.

That's what we're fighting for. That's why I need you. Let's get busy. Let's get to work.

## Statement on the United States Trade Enforcement Action Against China *September 13, 2016*

When American workers, businesses, and farmers have a fair shot to compete in the global economy, we win. And when other countries flout the rules to try and undercut American workers and farmers, we hold them accountable. That's what my administration has done consistently in taking more claims to the World Trade Organization than any other country, and that's exactly what we're doing once again today by filing our latest complaint against China before the WTO.

China's Government has set prices for wheat, corn, and rice well above market levels, which has led to unfair Government subsidies that are in violation of WTO rules. These unfairly distorted prices on important crops lead to overproduction in China and disadvantage American farmers who export these same crops around the world.

This is the 14th WTO case we've launched against China since I took office and the 23d overall, and we've won every case that's been decided. We're confident the case we're bringing today will be no different: it should bring an end to China's illegal subsidies, remove significant barriers on American exports, and level the playing field for American farmers and

Thank you, Philadelphia. God bless you. God bless these United States of America.

NOTE: The President spoke at 1:40 p.m. at the Oval. In his remarks, he referred to Patrick Houston, student, Swarthmore College; Charlotte C. Mezvinsky, granddaughter, and Chelsea Clinton, daughter, of Democratic Presidential nominee Clinton; Republican Presidential nominee Donald J. Trump; Sen. Patrick J. Toomey; President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin of Russia; and Supreme Court Associate Justice-designate Merrick B. Garland. He also referred to the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) terrorist organization.

their families who rely on the rice, wheat, and corn industries and the hundreds of thousands of jobs they help support.

But it's not enough to enforce the existing rules. As our global economy evolves, we have to ensure America plays a leading role in setting the highest standards for the rest of the world to follow. That's what the Trans-Pacific Partnership, or TPP, is all about: putting American workers, farmers, and businesses first. It protects American innovation and intellectual property, enforces groundbreaking environmental and labor commitments, expands export opportunities for our farmers and businesses, and sets the highest benchmarks in history for holding America's trading partners accountable. It's all the more important that we finalize TPP soon, because as we speak, China is negotiating a trade deal of its own, one that would carve up the growing Asia-Pacific markets at our expense, risking American jobs, businesses, and goods. Unless we act now to set our own high standards, the fast-growing Asia-Pacific will be forced to play by lower standard rules that we didn't set. We can't let that happen.

Remarks at a Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee Fundraiser  
in New York City  
September 13, 2016

Thank you, everybody. Thank you so much. Everybody have a seat. Well, first of all, let me thank Jim and Crystal for their incredible hospitality and this beautiful home. And we are very, very appreciative of them.

A couple other people I need to acknowledge. First of all, the Chairman of the DCCC, Ben Ray Lujan is right here. A thankless job, but he's always got a smile on his face. *[Laughter]*

And I have to introduce somebody who I believe will go down as one of the finest public servants we've ever had and has been a partner on every single thing I've done, especially the tough stuff, because she has principles, she's tough, she's smart, she's practical, and she cares about the right stuff. She cares about all these beautiful grandchildren that she constantly is bringing to these things. *[Laughter]* So I just could not be prouder of her: Nancy Pelosi.

And let me mention New York's own, Steve Israel. Where is Steve? There he is.

So the tradition at these kinds of gatherings, because they're pretty intimate, is I'll just say a few things and then we'll open it up for questions and comments.

Jim stole some of my best lines. *[Laughter]* But let me just amplify the Census report that came out today, which—economists are different. So my chief economist Jason Furman explained to me that this is the Super Bowl for economists, the Census report. I didn't think it was as exciting as a Super Bowl. *[Laughter]* I wouldn't have bought commercials for this event. But this is the most comprehensive snapshot of the economy that we receive each year. And the headline news is that incomes rose last year more than any time on record. More than any time on record, over 5 percent.

And what was particularly striking was that they rose for every demographic: every race, men and women, every quintile. The increases were particularly stark for the lowest income Americans and middle-income Americans, although everybody saw improvement.

Poverty went down last year more sharply than any time since 1968. And the pay gap between men and women closed so that, although it is still there, still nagging, it is now the smallest that it has ever been. It confirmed the reports that we had already seen that the number of uninsured are lower than they have ever been in the United States.

And if you combine that with some of the other statistics that Jim mentioned, the picture we have is not of an economy that is at full potential. There are still a lot of folks out there unemployed, underemployed. Because of a previous decade of flat or declining wage growth, income growth, there is still catching up to do. But what we see is a serious recovery from what was the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression, one in which actually the economy contracted faster than it did in 1929. It's just that we stopped it faster and more effectively than they did during the Great Depression.

Now, this is not a cause to run victory laps, because people do feel as if even if their own circumstances are better, they worry about are their kids going to be able to succeed. They worry about student debt. They worry about the vulnerabilities that were revealed as a consequence of the post-Lehman world. They worry about globalization. They worry about technology. They worry about foreign competition. And those fears are real, and they are justified.

But what it does argue is that we have been moving in the right direction, that the trend lines are sound, that good policy matters, that the decisions we made early—decisions that often were unpopular—paid off. It means that facts and evidence are important and that you need a President and a Congress that makes decisions based on facts and evidence.

So I think you kind of know where I'm going here. We have one Presidential candidate, one set of congressional candidates, who look at the facts, look at the evidence, study policy, and