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Washington, DC 20548

September 30, 2016

The Honorable Robert Pittenger  
House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Pittenger:

Thank you for your letter, jointly signed a number of your colleagues, requesting that the Government Accountability Office review how the current statutory and administrative authorities of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States have kept pace with the growing scope of foreign acquisitions in important economic sectors in the United States.

GAO accepts your request as work that is within the scope of its authority. At the current time we anticipate that staff with the required skills will be available to initiate an engagement in about four months. Your request has been assigned to Mr. Loren Yager, Managing Director, International Affairs and Trade. Closer to the time GAO can start this engagement, Mr. Yager or a member of his team will contact Mr. Clark Fonda to confirm that this request continues to be your priority for us. As applicable, we will also be in contact with the cognizant Inspector General's office to ensure that we are not duplicating efforts. If an issue arises during this coordination, we will consult with you regarding its resolution.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Yager at 202-512-4347 or [yagerl@gao.gov](mailto:yagerl@gao.gov), or Ms. Carolyn Kirby, Assistant Director, Congressional Relations, on my staff at 202-512-9843 or [kirbyc@gao.gov](mailto:kirbyc@gao.gov).

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Katherine Siggerud'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Katherine Siggerud  
Managing Director  
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cc: Mr. Clark Fonda

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