

Letter to Congressional Leaders on the Designation of Irving A. Williamson
as Chair of the United States International Trade Commission
June 25, 2012

Dear Mr. Speaker: (Dear Mr. President:)

BARACK OBAMA

Consistent with the provisions of 19 U.S.C. 1330(c)(1), this is to notify the Congress that I have designated Irving A. Williamson as Chair of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring June 16, 2014.

Sincerely,

NOTE: Identical letters were sent to John A. Boehner, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Joseph R. Biden, Jr., President of the Senate.

Remarks at an Obama Victory Fund 2012 Fundraiser in Boston, Massachusetts
June 25, 2012

The President. Hello, Boston! Thank you, Boston. Thank you. Please, everybody, have a seat. Oh, it is—[laughter].

Audience members. Four more years! Four more years! Four more years!

The President. Thank you. Well, it is good to be back in Boston. Good to be back in Massachusetts.

I want to make some acknowledgments here. First of all, you've got one of the finest Governors in the country in Deval Patrick. You've got one of the finest mayors in the country in the Tom Menino. You've got an outstanding State auditor in Suzanne Bump.

And I just want to thank Elizabeth for that introduction and let you know how lucky all of you are to have a chance to vote for her in the next election. Nobody fought harder for Wall Street reform—the reform that is now law and protecting consumers all across the country—than Elizabeth, reform that will end taxpayer bailouts, make sure folks aren't being taken advantage of by mortgage lenders and credit card companies. She has been a fierce advocate, since before I knew her, for the middle class. She has been advocating on core issues that matter to families her entire career. She is going to be an outstanding Senator from Massachusetts, and everybody here has got to turn out for her.

I want to thank Miri Ben-Ari for her outstanding talent. We appreciate her appearing here today. I will not sing today, even though—[laughter]—when I'm in Symphony Hall, I'm tempted. I am tempted, but—[laughter]—can't do it. We have some serious business to attend to. [Laughter]

I also want to acknowledge former Governor Michael Dukakis, who is here, and his lovely wife Kitty. And finally, "Bos," I just want to say thank you for Youkilis.

Audience members. Boo!

The President. I'm just saying. He's going to have to change the color of his "sox."

Audience members. Boo!

The President. I didn't think I'd get any "boos" out of here, but—[laughter]—I guess I shouldn't have—I should not have brought up baseball. I understand. My mistake.

Audience members. Boo!

The President. My mistake. You've got to know your crowd. [Laughter]

Audience member. We still love you! [Laughter]

The President. Now, Boston, I'm here not just because I need your help—although I do. I'm here because the country needs your help.

Now, in 2008, we came together not just to support a candidate—it wasn't just about me. When you support a guy named Barack Obama, you're not doing it because you