

Letter to the Editor

Your January 24th article '[Manufacturing Rebound Has Suppliers Struggling to Keep Up](#)' demonstrates US manufacturers need an immediate solution to their supply chain issues. One answer is increased trade cooperation between the US and Turkey.

Turkish factories moved quickly to take up the slack in global supply chains during the pandemic and our manufacturers are ready to assist in filling gaps that persist today. During this time of increased pressure, we developed plans to boost some of our exports which complement America's economic priorities. Turkey exports steel parts to infrastructure and manufacturing projects across the US, and there is a huge opportunity for growth. Turkey is also primed to import much more from the US, notably LNG and agricultural goods like soybeans, grains and cotton.

Neither the global sentiment in favor of fostering alternative manufacturing partners nor the supply chain crises will be gone overnight. But US recovery – built back better – is attainable in the near-term. It requires finding trading partners set up to create stability and predictability.

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