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The Livingston Group provides representation for the Association of Enterprises Ukrmetalurgprom, a Ukrainian trade association, in order to advance the bilateral trade relationship between the Governments of the United States and Ukraine.

The Ukrainian trade association and Natalia Mykolska, Deputy Minister of Economic Development and Trade and Trade Representative of Ukraine will be in Washington, DC shortly. The Deputy Minister and the Ukrainian trade association would like to discuss with you the implications of Section 232, which imposes a 25 percent tariff on steel imports from Ukraine, as it relates to our bilateral relationship.

It is critical that the United States exempt Ukraine from the 25 percent tariff on imported steel given the importance of our strategic partnership, and as Ukraine continues to sustain aggression from Russia, resulting in dire economic and political consequences. Further, given Ukraine currently complies with the price and volume levels required for steel imports from Ukraine as outlined by the Department of Commerce under two active suspension agreements.

Ukrainian steel imports only account for 0.3 percent of all iron and steel imports to the United States. However, Ukrainian metallurgy constitutes nearly 25 percent of Ukraine's commodity exports and supports 250,000 jobs in Ukraine. The metallurgical industry and the Ukrainian economy as whole are under constant pressure given continuing economic and territorial aggression by Russia.

While being constantly targeted by Russia, Ukraine counts on the continued support of friends and partners, most notably the United States.