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Senate Finance Committee
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Re: Senate Miscellaneous Tariff Bill: S. 2462

Dear Chairman Baucus and Ranking Member Grassley:

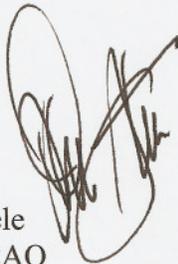
Per your Committee's request on November 2, 2009, I am writing on behalf of Soft Air USA Inc. (SAUSA) to express our support for S. 2462, which will suspend the duty for imports of all electric pneumatic airsoft rifles.

Soft Air USA Inc. sells a variety of innovative outdoor game products. Our main product line focuses on pneumatic "air soft" guns which shoot small, soft (safe) plastic pellets. Accordingly, our products can be used safely by outdoor gamers and are also employed as tactical and target training tools by the armed forces, security and police forces. We have 16 employees in our Grapevine, TX facility and an additional 23 employees in Palco Sports, a subsidiary of Soft Air USA, in Maple Grove, MN.

These rifle products comprise a significant portion of sales for both SAUSA and Palco Sports. Accordingly, the import duties applied to these products are a substantial economic burden to the fiscal health of both companies; and these companies reside in areas that have been hit hard by the current recession. This duty suspension will enable us to maintain our current staff level and it will enable us to continue to provide our customers with high quality products at affordable prices.

The suspension of this duty on all pneumatic airsoft guns is of high importance to Soft Air USA Inc. and we appreciate your attention in this regard. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at tel: 817-717-4300 Ext 114 or via email: jsteele@softairusa.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John S. Steele', written over a large, loopy circular flourish.

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