



Memorandum

To: Reporters and Editors  
From: Carol Guthrie for Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus (D-Mont.)  
Re: House action on the Colombia trade agreement

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus commented today following House action regarding the Colombia trade agreement. The Finance Committee has jurisdiction over trade agreements in the Senate.

From Chairman Baucus:

**“The President’s attempt to force a vote on the Colombia agreement has produced the opposite result. With the Colombia agreement in a holding pattern, the most productive thing to do now is to focus on what is right for America’s workers, and work together on a solid expansion of Trade Adjustment Assistance. Once that’s done, we should consider the Colombia agreement on its merits.”**

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