UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
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Ho Chan "James" Park
Chairman
The Korean Chamber of Commerce and
Industry in the USA
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Dear Chairman Park:

Thank you for your feedback on the potential impact on Korean companies' investments in the United States. While the Department of Homeland Security is responsible for the U.S. Visa Waiver Program and ESTA process, the Department of Commerce continues to be part of the ongoing conversations and initiatives related to the entry and status of business travelers to the United States and the President's Gold Card program.

As you recognize in your letter, the importance of securing our borders and national security is paramount, but we are also committed to doing so while respecting and welcoming the Korean travelers that represent our long-lasting ties.

The U.S.-Korea economic relationship is a key priority, and we are committed to accelerating the flow of Korean investment into the United States. I look forward to continuing collaboration to build our economies and to adding the latest chapter to the enduring relationship between our countries.

Sincerely,

William Kimmitt
Under Secretary for International Trade