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AAPC Statement on Steel and Aluminum Tariffs

Washington, D.C. – Governor Matt Blunt, president of the American Automotive Policy Council, today issued the following statement on the Trump Administration's action on steel and aluminum tariffs:

"The temporary exemption for our trading partners in Canada and Mexico is a step in the right direction. We are committed to working with the Administration to find a long-term solution within the new framework that supports jobs in the U.S. auto industry and across the supply chain. We fully understand the desire to take action against nations whose unfair trade practices have led to global overcapacities in steel and aluminum, and encourage the Administration to adopt a targeted approach."

In its formal comments submitted to the Commerce Department on the 232 steel and aluminum investigations, AAPC highlighted the fact that its automakers source the vast majority of the steel and aluminum used in U.S.-built cars and trucks from American mills and smelters. AAPC also noted that the U.S. automotive industry purchases about 15 percent of the steel consumed in the U.S. and nearly 38 percent of all aluminum used in our country.

The American Automotive Policy Council (AAPC) is a Washington, D.C. association that represents the common public policy interests of its member companies FCA US, Ford Motor Company and General Motors Company.

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