



Upcoming Industry Call Information

Please join us for our next Industry Call on Thursday, July 23, 2020 10:00 AM. Our guest speaker will be Angelo Amador, Senior Vice President & Regulatory Counsel for the National Restaurant Association. He will discuss responding to a COVID-19 positive employee based on the National Restaurant Association guidance.

[Link to July 23 Call](#)

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Join Us: No New Tariffs on Food & Alcohol

The Administration is conducting a review of action in regards to what is often called “the Airbus dispute” and proposing tariffs of up to 100% on food and alcohol products from the European Union (EU) and the United Kingdom (UK) including seafood, cheese and other dairy products, ham, certain fruits and fruit products, pasta, coffee, olives and olive oil, chocolate, potatoes, baked products, wine, sparkling wine, whiskey, beer, gin, brandy, and vodka, among other food products. If enacted, the tariffs would have a significant impact on

restaurants and the products we import, profoundly affecting our supply chains and operations.

These tariffs are in response to disputes with the EU over large civil aircraft and that are completely unrelated to the food and beverage industries. If the tariffs go into effect, thousands of restaurants and every part of our supply chain associated with these products will be severely impacted.

Tell the Administration through the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) to eliminate tariffs and not impose any new tariffs on these essential products and resolve this issue without harming our nation's restaurants and the millions of customers they serve.

[Take Action](#)

[Association Drafts New Blueprint to Ask for Federal Relief for the Restaurant Industry](#)

The National Restaurant Association sent the "[Blueprint for Restaurant Revival](#)" to Congress last week. The comprehensive policy and legislative plan outlines specific and immediate action the federal government should take to stabilize the industry in the short-term and set the foundation for long-term rebuilding.

"In the past two weeks alone, state and local government mandates have shut down almost 100,000 restaurants," said Sean Kennedy, executive vice president of Public Affairs for the Association. "Since the restaurant industry was first shuttered, the National Restaurant Association and our State Restaurant Association partners have led the call at the federal, state, and local level for policies that will allow us not to profit, but simply to survive this pandemic. Despite losing more jobs and revenue than any other industry in this country,

Congress has chosen not to advance a recovery package that is tailored for the unique challenges of a restaurant on the cusp of bankruptcy.”

The Blueprint focuses on short-term and long-term areas where Congress can act to make significant changes that would support restaurants of every size and operational model in communities across the country. They include:

Short-term Relief to Restart the Restaurant Industry

- Create a Restaurant Recovery Fund for structured relief to help restaurants get the liquidity they need.
 - Build on the success of PPP by enacting a second round of application eligibility to initial eight-week- loan recipients.
 - Make PPP loans tax deductible so that small businesses can deduct eligible expenses paid with a forgiven PPP loan.
 - Establish a long-term loan program beyond PPP so restaurants can rehire, retrain, and retain valued employees.
 - Expand the Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERTC).
- Improve Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) by replenishing funding.
 - Provide customer and employee wellness tax credits.
 - Address Business Interruption insurance claims for small businesses.
- Add legal liability protections for restaurants and businesses to stem frivolous or fraudulent lawsuits.

Long-Term Priorities to Support the Industry and Our Communities

- Ensure the stability of America's food supply chain from farm to table.
 - Enact Payroll Tax Relief for essential workers.
 - Help restaurants feed those who are vulnerable in their communities.
- Increase access to restaurant meals for low-income Americans.

[Download the Blueprint](#)

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