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Sample Letters to the Editor

Sample Letter 1

In his State of the Union speech, President Obama touted his plans to combat America's growing inequality. But at the same time, he pushed measures that would only make inequality worse.

Obama is trying to Fast Track the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) – a massive NAFTA-on-steroids “trade” pact with 11 Asian and Latin American nations – through Congress. But after 20 years of NAFTA, we've seen that these deals destroy middle class jobs and contribute to growing U.S. inequality.

The data shows that not only do these deals offshore jobs, but they push down the wages in the jobs that remain.

President Obama wants Congress to grant him Fast Track trade authority so he can sign the TPP before Congress even gets to vote, and then railroad the pact through Congress with limited debate and no amendments. Our Representative should vote “no” on Fast-Tracking the TPP.

Sample Letter 2

President Obama has been talking a lot about the problem of rising inequality – it was a major theme in his State of the Union speech. But in that very same speech, he signaled that he wanted to complete a Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) “trade” deal. That is a NAFTA-on-steroids agreement with 11 countries in Asia and Latin America that would only increase inequality.

And, Obama wants Congress to grant him Fast Track trade authority so he can sign the TPP before Congress even gets to vote, and then railroad the pact through Congress with limited debate and no amendments.

Data from 20 years of NAFTA and subsequent “trade” deals show us that these pacts offshore good-paying jobs and depress wages in the jobs that remain. We can't afford to let the American Dream slip away along with the jobs that would be lost through the TPP. Our representative should vote “no” on Fast-Tracking the TPP