

**Congress of the United States**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Small Business**  
2361 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-6515

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

**January 11, 2016**

**4:00 P.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building**

**TO: Members, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade**

**FROM: Carlos Curbelo, Chairman**

**DATE: Monday, January 4, 2016**

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The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade will meet for a hearing titled, "SBA's Office of International Trade: Good for Business?" **The hearing is scheduled to begin at 4:00 P.M. on Monday, January 11, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

The hearing will examine the efforts of the Small Business Administration's (SBA) Office of International Trade (OIT) to increase exports and promote United States small businesses' participation in international trade. Small businesses offer a tremendous opportunity to increase American exports. For example, the SBA recently noted that "small businesses play an important role internationally as they make up a steady 97 percent of all United States identified exporters and account for a significant and growing share of export value." In 2010, Congress redirected the SBA to increase its role in export activities, including export counseling and financing. The Subcommittee will hear directly from the SBA about its ongoing effort to assist small businesses seeking to engage in the international trading system.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, January 11, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact James Burchfield, Professional Staff to the Committee, at 202-225-5821.