

**Congress of the United States**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Small Business**  
2361 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-6315

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

**July 6, 2016**

**2:00 P.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building**

**TO: Members, Committee on Small Business**

**FROM: Steve Chabot, Chairman**

**DATE: Wednesday, June 29, 2016**

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The Committee on Small Business will meet for a hearing titled, *Foreign Cyber Threats: Small Business, Big Target*. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **2:00 P.M. on July 6, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building**.

Information technology provides small businesses with the necessary tools to be competitive in the global economy. However, as small businesses increasingly rely on foreign technology products and services, they face an even greater threat from cyber threats. As the Committee has learned through previous hearings, even a simple cyber-attack can destroy a small business. Unfortunately, some foreign telecommunications firms are taking steps to develop an unbreakable link to American companies and markets, making small businesses a top target. These foreign firms strive to become highly integrated with American firms in order to evade the consequences associated with ignoring U.S. sanctions on rogue regimes. Not only does this pose a significant risk to our national security, but it creates real concerns for the safety and sustainability of America's small businesses – firms that are often ill-equipped to combat against cyber-attacks and properly identify looming foreign threats. The hearing will examine the impending threat posed by foreign firms on small businesses.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

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