China Trade Barriers

Following China’s accession to the WTO in 2001 and during its subsequent transition period as a new WTO member, the Chinese Government took significant steps to revise its laws and regulations in a manner consistent with WTO obligations and strengthen its role in the global economy. Nevertheless, despite progress in many areas, significant barriers for U.S. companies exist.

These include import barriers, an opaque and inconsistent legal system and limitations on market access. The U.S. Government strives to address these barriers through continuous bilateral dialogue and engagement, active export promotion, and enforcement of U.S. and international trade laws and obligations. For more information on specific barriers, please see the U.S. Government’s National Trade Estimate Report on Foreign Trade Barriers.

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