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Trump directs negotiations over wind turbine imports

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The October 22 proclamation sets no new wind-specific tariff rate and leaves existing Section 232 tariffs unchanged.

President Donald Trump directed the commerce secretary and U.S. trade representative to pursue negotiations with foreign trading partners over wind turbine imports in an October 22 proclamation. The action sets no new wind-specific tariff rate.

The proclamation followed a Commerce Department investigation under Section 232, a trade law that allows action on imports found to threaten national security. It says the commerce secretary found that imports of wind turbines and their components threatened to impair national security, and that Trump concurred.

The proclamation leaves existing Section 232 tariffs unchanged. It says certain wind turbine components and subcomponents are already subject to tariffs under the steel, aluminum or copper proclamations. It specifies no new wind-specific tariff exceptions or effective date.

The commerce secretary and trade representative must provide at least one update on the negotiations within 180 days of the proclamation, while Commerce continues to monitor imports. The proclamation does not announce an agreement; the outcome of negotiations and any future remedies remain unknown.

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Trump directs action on domestic petroleum capacity

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The October 22 determination covers production, refining and logistics under the Defense Production Act.

President Donald Trump directed the secretary of war to implement an October 22, 2026, determination aimed at expanding domestic petroleum production, refining and logistics capacity under Section 303 of the Defense Production Act.

Trump determined that the capacity is essential to national defense. The determination covers exploration and production, gathering and transmission pipelines, storage and marine terminals.

Trump said industry could not reasonably be expected to provide the capabilities in time without presidential action because of constraints including financing, long lead times, permitting, infrastructure and supply chains. He judged Section 303 measures to be the most cost-effective, expedient and practical alternatives. Citing a declared national emergency and a potential shortfall that would severely impair defense capability, he invoked Section 303(a)(7) to waive the requirements of Section 303(a)(1) through (a)(6) for expanding the capacity.

The memorandum directs the secretary to implement the determination, including through necessary purchases, commitments and financial instruments, and to publish it in the Federal Register. The memorandum specifies no funding amount, named projects or implementation schedule and does not establish that additional capacity has been completed.

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