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akIBC Communique

Dear Valued IBC members and friends of the Center:

Today, you are receiving our latest edition of the "akIBC Communique". These weekly missives are intended to keep you informed, in a quick, concise manner, about Alaska's International trade, commerce, and investment performance and outlook. The contents are a collection of news and notes that we hope you will find of interest. The Communiques will also include timely reminders about events and activities happening at the Center.

Tariffs and Rumors of Tariffs: Measuring Exposure to the Trade War

China, Alaska's number one export market since 2011, is, in many ways, the focus of the current trade war being waged by the US and our trading partners around the world. The commercial relationship between the US and China, the world's first largest and second largest economies, respectively, is of utmost importance and one which significantly affects Alaska.

In a recent report by a global consulting firm, they identified the American states who have the largest percentage share of their overall overseas exports going to China. They analyzed exports statistics from the International Trade Administration of the US Department of Commerce for the full year of 2024.

Of all 50 states, Alaska ranked number one in terms of the percentage of exports destined for China. In 2024, some 25% of the state's total \$6 billion in overseas exports were shipped to the Middle Kingdom. In second place was the state of Washington at 20%, followed by Oregon, New Mexico, and Alabama.

Interestingly, the report noted that while the US has a long-standing trade deficit with China, Alaska, and the other four states mentioned above, all enjoy a healthy trade surplus with China, meaning these states sell more to China than they buy from them

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IBC Luncheons and Business Forums in 2026

During the year ahead, the IBC will conduct luncheons, receptions, and country-specific business and economic forums bringing Alaskans together with foreign government leaders and business executives to discuss opportunities and challenges as we seek mutually beneficial trade and commerce.

The forums will include the following countries or regions: China, Hong Kong, Korea, Japan, Canada, and India.

Watch your inbox for announcements for details about participating in these special events. There will be sponsorship opportunities connected to these forums.

To your global success!

With best regards,

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