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National Foreign Trade Council Joins The American Sovereignty Campaign

Organization Is Latest Voice of U.S. Business to Enlist in Broad Effort to Secure and Expand U.S. Sovereignty with Law of Sea Treaty Ratification

Washington, D.C. – The American Sovereignty Campaign (TASC) today announced that the National Foreign Trade Council (NFTC), America’s leading business advocate of a rules-based world economy, has joined TASC.

“As an organization advocating open, rules-based international engagement, the NFTC supports the immediate ratification of the Law of the Sea Treaty. The NFTC is pleased to join forces with TASC and stand up for American sovereignty by helping press for ratification,” said NFTC President Bill Reinsch. “With more than 160 other nations having already ratified the treaty, U.S. ratification is critical to ensuring the rule of law and the protection of America’s interests on the high seas. Ratification would also afford the United States an internationally recognized system for dispute resolution in foreign waters and would create order for the responsible development of resources in a globalized world.”

“We are excited that the NFTC, the foremost business voice for international trade, investment, tax and export finance issues, has joined TASC and is fully engaged in the expansive effort to ratify the Law of the Sea Treaty,” said TASC spokesman Jeff Pike. “The NFTC’s enlistment further broadens the support for ratification, from the business community to national security experts to military leaders, and accelerates the momentum ahead of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations’ June 14th hearings. TASC is committed to working with all stakeholders to encourage the Senate to secure American sovereignty and consider the Law of the Sea Treaty without delay.”

Founded in 1914, the NFTC represents more than 300 member companies in Washington and New York. By joining TASC, the organization adds its considerable influence to the groundswell of business support for immediate treaty ratification.

Learn more about TASC at www.RatifyTheTreatyNow.org.

The American Sovereignty Campaign (TASC) is supported by a broad, diverse and distinguished group of national security, business and NGO leaders who are committed to expanding U.S. sovereignty and protecting vital national security and economic interests by securing Senate ratification of the Law of the Sea Treaty this year.