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### **AISI SUPPORTS ADMINISTRATION'S CALL FOR CHINA TO END UNFAIR TRADE POLICIES**

**Washington, D.C.** – American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI) President and CEO Thomas J. Gibson issued the following statement following the conclusion of the third U.S.-China Strategic and Economic Dialogue.

“As the third U.S.-China Strategic and Economic Dialogue conclude, the U.S. steel industry strongly supports the Administration’s call to China to open up its markets to U.S. exports and put an end to its industrial policies that discriminate against U.S. and other countries’ products both in China and in third country markets. Our government approved China's entry into the World Trade Organization based on promises China made to open its domestic market. Instead, what we have seen in recent years has been a pushback against reform, a growing role for state-owned and state-supported enterprises, and continued Chinese government manipulation of its currency to promote Chinese exports. It's time for China to comply fully with its WTO obligations. We urge the Administration to continue to press China to abandon its protectionist policies that disadvantage U.S. manufacturing companies, employees and communities.

To achieve open and free trade, China should end its import barriers on industrial goods, export restrictions on raw materials, limits on foreign investment, state subsidies to its manufacturing industries and undervaluation of its currency. The U.S. Government must also ensure that U.S. companies have the ability to obtain relief from the injurious effects of Chinese trade and industrial policies. We therefore urge the Congress to pass legislation to ensure that U.S. customs officials will act to stop efforts by unscrupulous traders to evade U.S. trade law orders through customs fraud, transshipment and other forms of illegal evasion. In addition, Congress should enact currency reform legislation to give U.S. manufacturers a remedy against the injurious effects of Chinese currency manipulation.”

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