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**WSWA ISSUES STATEMENT ON FIVE YEAR SUSPENSION OF TARIFFS IN AEROSPACE DISPUTE**

**WASHINGTON, D.C., 06/15/2021** – The Wine & Spirit Wholesalers of America (WSWA) today issued the below statement on the decision by the United States Trade Representative (USTR) to suspend tariffs in the ongoing aerospace dispute for five years including tariffs on European Wine & Spirits:

*“WSWA applauds today’s announcement by USTR of a five-year suspension of tariffs related to the Boeing/Airbus dispute. WSWA and our coalition partners have opposed the tariffs on beverage alcohol from the outset and have continued to communicate the harmful impacts these tariffs are having on our industry to USTR and Members of Congress. We applaud both U.S. and EU leaders for moving away from litigation that needlessly placed the wine and spirits industry in the crossfire and setting a course for a return to free and open trade. This suspension is welcome news for the both the U.S. and EU hospitality sectors in the midst of a post-pandemic recovery.”*

**About Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America**

WSWA is the national trade association representing the distribution tier of the wine and spirits industry, dedicated to advancing the interests and independence of distributors and brokers of wine and spirits. Founded in 1943, WSWA has more than 380 member companies in 50 states and the District of Columbia, and its members distribute more than 80 percent of all wine and spirits sold at wholesale in the United States.

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