

July 17, 2002

Honorable Donald Evans – Secretary
c/o Central Records Unit – Room 1870
U.S. Department of Commerce
Investigation
Pennsylvania Ave. & 14th St. NW
Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Honorable Donald Evans:

We are taking this opportunity to comment on the Status of Ukraine as a Non-Market Economy Country under the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws.

We are a federally chartered Credit Union with over 13,000 American-Ukrainian members and assets of about \$420 million. We have been using wire transfer system facilities to transmit members' funds (dollars) to Ukraine, which are freely converted into Ukrainian currency -hryvnia. Also daily quotations of hryvnia's exchange rates attest to the hryvnia's convertibility. It is generally accepted that currency convertibility and Ukraine's strong economic growth, attributed by experts to economic reforms, are among attributes of a market economy.

Therefore, we strongly support the position of Ukraine's status as a market economy.

Sincerely yours,

Bohdan J. Kekish
President / CEO