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Brasília, August 08, 2025.

To His Excellency
Mr. Doug Burgum
Secretary of the Interior

Subject: Request for Review and Exemption of Brazilian Ginger (HS 0910.10) from the 40% Additional Import Tariff

Dear Mr. Secretary,

We, the undersigned producers, exporters and defenders of Brazilian ginger, respectfully request the reconsideration and exemption of Brazilian ginger (HS Code 0910.10) from the 40% additional import tariff scheduled to take effect on August 6, 2025.

Brazilian ginger has been imported by the United States for more than 30 years, with annual volumes ranging between 10,000 and 12,000 metric tons. This trade represents about 35% of Brazil's total national ginger production and sustains more than 5,000 farming families directly engaged in the supply chain.

The proposed tariff, if enacted, would gravely affect our industry and the livelihoods it supports. Moreover, it would unintentionally favor Chinese exports, as the supply gap left by Brazil would be quickly filled by Chinese suppliers—counter to the strategic goal of diversifying U.S. supply chains and reducing reliance on China.

Brazilian ginger is a traceable, sustainable, and socially responsible product. It does not compete unfairly with domestic U.S. production, but rather complements it, ensuring stability of supply and quality. Penalizing Brazilian ginger will only open market space to China, allowing it to strengthen its dominant position in the U.S. ginger market—an outcome that does not align with U.S. trade objectives.



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We respectfully urge your office to consider these economic and strategic implications. We remain available to submit supporting data, including production, export flow, and trade impact assessments.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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