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Statement on the Republican Study Committee's Countering Communist China Act

This statement on the House Republican Study Committee's "Countering Communist China Act" may be attributed to James Edwards, Executive Director, Conservatives for Property Rights:

"The Republican Study Committee's Countering Communist China Act acknowledges that America's industrial competitiveness is at stake when adversaries—namely China—can freely break the rules, conduct espionage and plunder American private property—particularly intellectual property.* Conservatives for Property Rights commends the Countering Communist China Act for protecting property rights and increasing our vigilance, shoring up our economic security and national security against malign actors.

"We applaud the Countering Communist China Act for prohibiting the U.S. Trade Representative from supporting waiver of the TRIPS agreement.** Importantly, CCCA also reins in the Patent Trial and Appeal Board from serving as a weapon for Chinese and Big Tech's repeated attempts to invalidate patents.*** These measures would improve patent reliability. Reliable U.S. patents would curb China's ability to vacuum up U.S. IP."

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*See CPR's webpage and report on industrial competitiveness.

**This refers to Biden administration support for TRIPS waiver at the World Trade Organization.

***PTAB's biases invalidate patents far more than federal courts and gives challengers—usually infringers—multiple bites at the apple. See here, here and here.