

Joshua Kagan Quoted in Sourcing Journal on Section 301 Trade Investigations

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Special Counsel [Joshua Kagan](#) was quoted in the *Sourcing Journal* article, "Trump Trade War Reignites With Launch of Sprawling Section 301 Probe." The article examines the Office of the United States Trade Representative's decision to launch Section 301 investigations into numerous U.S. trading partners over concerns about excess manufacturing capacity and forced labor. Joshua shared his perspective on how the Trump administration may use the investigations as a strategic trade policy tool.

"Forced labor import prohibitions are a clear U.S. negotiating objective and addressing forced labor has broad, bipartisan support," said Joshua. "I think we are going to have a future world where far more countries have forced labor import prohibitions," he added. "Whether the U.S. will use economic leverage to ensure that those are actually enforced, whether we will have global reiterations of [Customs and Border Protection's Withhold Release Orders] under Section 307, and whether the U.S. government provides [Bureau of International Labor Affairs] funding to build forced labor import prohibition capacity among trading partners are all open questions from my standpoint."

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