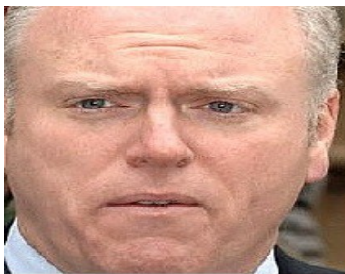


REP. CROWLEY: DON'T BOARD THE TPP FAST TRACK!



Congressman Joe Crowley is one of only two Democrats in New York State who has not expressed opposition to Fast Tracking the Trans-Pacific Partnership, the secretly negotiated 12 nation international free trade and corporate power expansion agreement described as "the end of democracy." Under TPP, foreign corporations will be able to sue our government for unlimited sums in international tribunals outside the jurisdiction of our court system when they believe our environmental, consumer protection, and other public interest laws interfere with their potential future profits. Corporations can demand unlimited sums in compensation for money they MIGHT have made in the absence of our laws. As a result of similar provisions under other trade agreements, Costa Rica is being sued for \$1 billion for not allowing a mining company to destroy the nation's rainforest, Canada is being sued over a ban on fracking in Quebec, and Peru is being sued for demanding cleanup of a metal smelter site believed to be one of the ten most toxic sites on the planet. TPP will also outsource jobs to sweatshops, undermine organized labor's negotiating power, and prohibit "Buy Local" and "Buy American" government purchasing rules that help local workers making decent wages and strengthen our economy instead of helping corporations profit from exploiting sweatshop workers overseas. Additionally, TPP will replace family farms with factory farms and genetically modified crops, threaten internet freedom, endanger wildlife, encouraging the privatization of public services, increase imports of contaminated food, prohibit vitally needed banking regulations, and raise the cost of lifesaving medications

In order to ramrod this terrible deal through Congress, President Obama has requested Fast Track Authority, which would allow his administration to complete negotiations on TPP and then send the agreement to be voted on in Congress within 90 days. Under Fast Track, floor debate is limited and amendments are prohibited, meaning that our elected officials will be unable to rewrite or remove TPP's most destructive provisions. Fast Track has been introduced in the Senate by Finance Committee Chair Max Baucus, a Democrat, and in the House by Ways and Means Committee Chair Dave Camp, a Republican. As of yet, the Obama administration has been unable to find a Democratic cosponsor for Fast Track, considered essential to winning the Democratic votes necessary to pass the bill. As a high ranking member of the House Democratic Caucus and a strong supporter of free trade agreements, Rep. Crowley is a likely candidate to potentially sponsor the bill. Since 2006, Crowley has voted for EVERY trade agreement to come before Congress, despite opposition to these sweetheart deals for the 1% by human rights, environmental, consumer advocacy, and labor rights advocates.



WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Call Rep. Crowley's DC office at (202) 225-3965. Ask to speak to Jeremy Woodrum. Rep. Crowley's legislative assistant on trade. Demand that Rep. Crowley publicly announce his opposition to Fast Tracking TPP! Follow up with an email to jeremy.woodrum@mail.house.gov. If you live in Congressman Crowley's office (not sure? You can check at <http://tradejustice.net/leg>), be sure to let him know. Give your address and ask for a reply in writing. You can also call Rep. Crowley and his staff in his Queens office at (718) 779-1400 or drop in or arrange an appointment to express your views. The office is located at at 82-11 37th Ave., Suite 402 Queens, NY 11372

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El representante Joe Crowley: No suba al TPP vía rápida!

El congresista Joe Crowley es uno de los únicos dos demócratas en el estado de Nueva York que no ha expresado su oposición a la vía de aprobación rápida en el congreso del Trans-Pacific Partnership o Alianza Trans Pacífica, tampoco se ha opuesto a la negociación secreta del libre comercio internacional entre 12 naciones, Ni al acuerdo que expenderá el poder corporativo, que se describe como "el fin de la democracia. "Bajo TPP , las empresas extranjeras podrán demandar a nuestro gobierno por sumas ilimitadas en tribunales internacionales fuera de la jurisdicción de nuestro sistema judicial cuando creen que nuestras leyes de protección al consumidor y otra de interés público ambientales interfieren con sus potenciales beneficios. Las corporaciones pueden demandar sumas ilimitadas en compensación por el dinero que podría haber hecho en ausencia de nuestras leyes de protección. Como resultado de disposiciones similares en

virtud de otros acuerdos comerciales:

Costa Rica está siendo demandado por \$ 1 mil millones por no permitir que una compañía minera destruya la selva tropical de la nación; Canadá está siendo demandada por la prohibición de la fractura hidráulica en Quebec; el Perú está siendo demandado por exigir limpieza de un sitio de fundición de metal, se cree que es uno de los diez sitios más tóxicos en el planeta . El TPP además subcontratará empleos en fábricas de explotación laboral en el extranjero, lo que va a deteriorar el poder de negociación del movimiento laboral organizado, y prohibirá las reglas de compras gubernamentales del tipo "Buy Local" y "Buy American", las cuales ayudan a los obreros locales a ganar sueldos dignos y fortalecen a nuestra economía, en lugar de ayudar a las grandes empresas a obtener ganancias explotando a los obreros de otros países. Por añadidura, el TPP substituirá las granjas familiares con las fábricas de granjas y con cosechas genéticamente modificadas. El TPP amenaza la libertad de la comunicación en internet, pone en peligro la vida silvestre, fomenta la privatización de los servicios públicos, aumenta las importaciones de alimentos contaminados, prohíbe las necesarias regulaciones bancarias y aumenta el costo de los medicamentos más indispensables para salvar vidas.

Con el fin de acelerar este pésimo negocio en el Congreso, el presidente Obama ha solicitado La aprobación acelerada o, en ingles, Fast track, lo que permitiría a la administración Obama, completar las negociaciones sobre el TPP y luego enviar el acuerdo objeto de la votación en el Congreso dentro de los 90 días. Bajo el "Fast Track", el debate congresional se vera limitado y estarán prohibidas las enmiendas, lo que significa que nuestros funcionarios electos no podrán volver a escribir o eliminar disposiciones más destructivas del TPP Fast Track ha sido introducida en el Senado por el Presidente del Comité de Finanzas Max Baucus , un demócrata, y en la Casa de Medios y Arbitrios de presidente de la Comisión de Dave Camp, un republicano. Hasta el momento, el gobierno de Obama ha sido incapaz de encontrar un copatrocinador demócrata a Fast Track, considerado esencial para ganar los votos demócratas necesarios para aprobar la ley. Como un miembro de alto rango de los Demócratas y un firme defensor de los acuerdos de libre comercio , el congresista Crowley es un candidato probable para patrocinar potencialmente el proyecto de ley . Desde 2006 , Crowley ha votado a favor de todos los acuerdos de comercio para llegar al Congreso, a pesar de que dichos acuerdos solo benefician al 1% de población y a pesar de la oposición de defensores de derechos humanos, de defensores del medio ambiente , de defensores de los consumidores y los defensores de los derechos laborales. Únase a nosotros para exigir que Crowley asuma el camino correcto negándose a patrocinar el FAST TRACK y mas aun a votar en contra del Fast Track

LO QUE PUEDE HACER:

Llame a la oficina del congresista Crowley al (202) 225-3965. Pida hablar con Jeremy Woodrum, el asistente legislativo del congresista Crowley para temas de comercio. Exija que el representante Crowley anuncie públicamente su oposición al TPP por vía rápida. Haga un seguimiento enviando un correo electrónico a jeremy.woodrum@mail.house.gov. Si usted vive en el distrito del Congresista Crowley (Puede comprobar en <http://tradejustice.net/leg>), asegúrese de hacerle saber a Woodrum. Dele su domicilio y solicite una respuesta por escrito. También puede llamar a la oficina del congresista Crowley en Queens al (718)779-1400 o vaya en persona para concertar una cita para expresar sus puntos de vista. La oficina está ubicada en en 82-11 37th Ave., Suite 402. Queens, NY 11372

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