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My position today is the same as it was in December of 2019 when I wrote the attached letter. In truth, I am even more resolved in my opposition to the wine industry being forced to pay tariffs, especially considering what the government's response to the pandemic has done to my industry and the industries that we rely on for a large part of our business. As a small business in California, to have to incur an additional 25% cost to the products that I buy is capricious and reckless. Airbus and its partner countries are not paying these tariffs, I AM. I am not a large multinational corporation, or a member of the EU. I am an American citizen with a successful business that is in severe jeopardy due to the actions OF MY GOVERNMENT. I am not getting a bailout. We do not have employees. Yet even during this time of severe financial hardship, our business is succeeding because of our hard work and ingenuity. We will survive this. It would be much easier if we didn't have to pay additional taxes, but I have no faith that the government has any intention of removing wines from the list of products being subjected to the tariffs.

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