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I am a US citizen.

This feels important to me due to the fact that I fear . Too Much against the American farmer will cause too much out sourcing. Already China is planning on huge poultry operations. Because of the Prop 2 in California eggs and poultry will become too expensive for normal people to purchase and will further cause out sourcing to other countries. I do not want to eat food grown in other countries. Who may not regulate their foods the same as they do in America. I also fear that similar situations may arise to what has happened over foreign oil. Food is one of our most important commodities , and relying on other countries can throw America into a financial crisis and possible food shortage that it may never recover from.

the consolidation of corporate power in the food and agriculture sector. Will further threaten our already weakened agricultural communities. This will take away American jobs and the way of life for many farmers who may have had farms passed down to them for many generations. This also can allow mafia to take over our food industry. What is to stop foreign investors from buying our domestic corporations? Similar to big Sugar in Florida. Which is destroying the ecology and economy in that area. Our food is at threats from all ends. from greedy corporations, to cult run Animal rights activist, to out sourcing. Our open spaces are also at threat for every farm that goes out of business it opens up the property to be developed.

This country is on the brink of failure due to too many hands in the pot trying to fix problems that do not need to be fixed. Or responding to situations off of emotional hysteria instead of well funded independent studies.

I fear for this country. I fear for our food supply. I fear for our free markets and our job securities.

Already 40,000 farmers are out of work in California over some tiny fish. That not one study proves has any importance to the ecology of that area.

If we have to buy food from China and South America .And our relations are struggling. And our farms have all been closed. How will the Government feed the people?