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The U.S. Trade Representative ("USTR") has prepared for publication a Federal Register Notice ("Notice") that identifies a list of approximately 1,300 tariff lines on which it proposes to levy additional duties of up to 25% on goods made in China. The pre-published copy of the Notice was released yesterday, April 3, 2018, and includes an Annex identifying the products on which USTR proposes to assess the additional duties. The notice can be found [here](#). According to an accompanying press release, the sectors targeted for the proposed tariffs "include industries such as aerospace, information and communication technology, robotics, and machinery." The press release further indicates these tariffs are intended to combat China's "industrial plans, such as 'Made in China 2025.'" The tariffs, therefore, are intended to "target products that benefit from China's industrial plans while minimizing the impact on the U.S. economy."

The Notice announces a public hearing and an opportunity for interested parties to submit written comments. The public hearing will take place on May 15th; interested members of the public must file requests to appear at that hearing, and a summary of expected testimony as well as any other pre-hearing submissions are due by April 23rd. Written comments must be filed by May 11th, and any post-hearing rebuttal comments are due May 22nd.

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