

# Vietnam delays Trans-Pacific Partnership ratification



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## National Assembly likely to not discuss trade deal until April 2017

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The [Trans-Pacific Partnership](#) (TPP) trade deal did not make it onto the agenda of the Vietnamese National Assembly's second session, which is scheduled to start on October 20.

According to Today Online, the trade agreement was already put off during the earlier session in July. And with it not on the agenda for the latest session, its next chance for ratification will be in April 2017.

The TPP agreement was signed by negotiators from Vietnam, the United States, Canada, Australia, Brunei, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru and Singapore on February 4. [Malaysia ratified the agreement](#) in March, but TPP has struggled to gain much support from the governments of other participating nations.

In the United States, [Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell](#), R-Kentucky, said TPP is not likely to be ratified in 2016, and further discussion will likely be put off until a new president is elected.

That reluctance to ratify TPP comes in spite of urgings from numerous agricultural organizations, including [National Pork Producers Council](#), National Chicken Council, National Turkey Federation, National Renderers Association, USA Poultry & Egg Export Council, U.S. Meat Export Federation, The Poultry Federation, Alabama Poultry & Egg Association, California Poultry Federation, Georgia Poultry Federation, Mississippi Poultry Association, American Farm Bureau Federation, Iowa Pork Producers Association, Kentucky Poultry Federation, Michigan Pork Producers Association, Minnesota Pork Producers Association, Nebraska Pork Producers Association, North Carolina Pork Council, North Carolina Poultry Federation, Ohio Pork Producers Council, Northwest Chicken Council, Virginia Pork Council, Virginia Poultry Federation and the North American Meat Institute.

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