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A federal appeals court has temporarily reinstated the tariffs. The Federal Circuit granted the Trump Administration’s request to temporarily stay (or pause) the lower court’s ruling (see below) as the court considers the appeal.

- **What’s next:** The plaintiffs now have until June 5th to file their response with the court. The government has until June 9th to respond, and the court will likely issue a final decision on the stay two or three days after that.

[Read the order](#)

One more thing: We held an FDRA emergency tariff call earlier today in response to the U.S. Court of International Trade’s (CIT’s) ruling striking down the vast majority of President Trump’s tariffs — now temporarily reinstated. Please email us if you missed the call and want a copy of that recording.

In case you missed the news we pushed out last night, see below:

In major trade news, the CIT struck down President Trump’s April 2nd “reciprocal” tariffs on the grounds he exceeded his authority under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA). This involved two lawsuits brought by businesses and state government officials. The case is now on appeal.

What they’re saying: The three-judge panel wrote:

The question ... before the court is whether the International Emergency Economic Powers Act of 1977 ("IEEPA") delegates these powers to the President in the form of authority to impose unlimited tariffs on goods from nearly every country in the world. The court does not read IEEPA to confer such unbounded authority and sets aside the challenged tariffs imposed thereunder.

 **Go deeper:** Read the CIT’s opinion below:

[CIT Tariff Opinion](#)

As always, we will send out key updates to FDRA members as we receive them.

Thanks for reading. We’re available for any questions or comments you might have.

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