



## Common Declaration of the US National Farmers Union and Coldiretti

## **Preventing Further Trade Escalation**

## A Call for Peace and Prosperity

In recent months, instability has grown, and escalating tensions now threaten economic security and the livelihoods of our rural communities. Farmers on both sides of the Atlantic are increasingly burdened by economic uncertainty, higher costs, and shrinking markets.

Trade tensions threaten the foundation of our agricultural communities. **Coldiretti and the U.S. National Farmers Union stand united against this harmful cycle of retaliation** that hurts farmers.

This is more than a trade dispute— it strikes at the heart of our food systems, further fragmenting a sector that should be strengthened to ensure stability, fairness, and resilience. Family farmers are always the first to feel the impact of broad, unilateral trade actions.

**US and Italian farmers share common concerns.** We belong to the same global agricultural community, committed to feeding the world sustainably, fighting against climate change, and strengthening agricultural resilience. Our work is vital for national economies, global food security, and environmental stewardship.

We caution our governments of the dire consequences this escalation will bring. Higher costs, disrupted supply chains, and restricted markets harm not only farmers but also consumers, businesses, and the broader economy, as rising food prices put social stability at risk. This path leads to further uncertainty, economic hardship, and division, undermining global prosperity and food security.

We urgently call on our governments to halt this destructive cycle. Trade actions should be paired with real, tangible support and protections for farmers. A food system that is resilient, transparent, and based on fair value distribution is essential not only for the farmers, but also for consumers, and society as a whole.

For the sake of our farmers, families, and communities, we urge negotiations that can put an end to these trade disputes. Farmer-focused policies and collaboration can lead us forward.

Now is the time to act responsibly and secure a future where farmers can continue to feed the world and take care of our planet.

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