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STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

H.R. 1181 – Protecting Privacy in Purchases Act

(Rep. Moore, R-WV, and 132 cosponsors)

The Administration strongly supports H.R. 1181, the Protecting Privacy in Purchases Act. This legislation would stop credit card companies from tracking gun owners.

In 2022, the International Organization for Standardization created for the first time a special merchant category code specifically for firearms retailers. American gun owners who use credit or debit cards are now being tracked by credit card companies. Moreover, firearms retailers must worry about debanking or higher processing fees. H.R. 1181 would fix this problem by banning gun-store-specific merchant codes. Firearms enthusiasts will be treated no differently than other outdoors and recreation enthusiasts. H.R. 1181 would build upon the Administration's efforts to protect the Second Amendment rights and privacy of our great American gun owners and end the pernicious politicized debanking that occurred during the previous Administration.

If H.R. 1181 were presented to the President in its current form, his advisors would recommend that he sign it into law.

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