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While in Washington, Mr. Marchi will also review multilateral and bilateral trade issues with U.S. Commerce Secretary William Daley and U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky. As well, he will meet Aida Alvarez, head of the U.S. Small Business Administration, to discuss matters related to the businesswomen's mission.

He will speak on trade policy issues to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington on November 13 and to a meeting of the Council of the Americas and the Americas Society in New York on November 14.

A backgrounder is attached.

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