

U.S. Rice Farmers Push Congress to Lift Restrictions on Cuba



Baton Rouge, June 5 (WAFB-RHC) -- Rice farmers in the U.S. state of Louisiana are calling on the United States Congress to end economic sanctions on Cuba, a move that would bring great profit for the sector.

A representative for the rice industry spoke about the impact of Washington's economic blockade against Cuba at the International Trade Commission meeting this week in Washington, DC, stating that Louisiana would be one of the biggest winners if the trade restrictions are lifted.

Congressman Charles Boustany, Jr., a Republican from Louisiana, said: "The potential economic benefit of increased trade for South Louisiana's rice farmers is undeniable." And he added: "As we continue to explore the potential impacts of opening relations with Cuba, this is very important to keep in mind."

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