

United States Senate

October 20, 2025

The Honorable Brendan Carr
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
45 L Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Carr:

First and foremost, I wish to commend you for your October 6 announcement regarding the Federal Communications Commission (FCC)'s forthcoming vote on a new order to prohibit the import or sale of previously authorized equipment on the FCC's Covered List. This initiative represents an important step toward strengthening our nation's supply chain security and closing regulatory gaps that could otherwise permit the continued entry of high-risk adversarial technology into U.S. markets.

As part of the *FY 2025 National Defense Authorization Act*, I fought to include a provision (Section 1709) to require a congressional-mandated investigation into Chinese drone manufacturers such as DJI and Autel Robotics (including their subsidiaries, affiliates, and partners) and create a statutory framework for more aggressive scrutiny of foreign-controlled equipment that could threaten U.S. national security. I have been working to get this dangerous technology out of our military and government for years, and the FCC's forthcoming order could help operationalize my efforts in Section 1709 by providing a regulatory path to revoke authorizations for equipment posing unacceptable security risks.

We have seen a consistent pattern from DJI and other Chinese-manufactured businesses of evading U.S. laws and regulations by continuously reestablishing under different shell companies or subsidiaries to avoid detection. Recent stories¹ highlighting the latest of DJI's efforts to establish shell companies further underscore the necessity for the impending FCC order. In one purported case, DJI logos were found in FCC documentation for a days-old company named Lyno Dynamics, LLC.² Such tactics clearly undermine both the intent and effectiveness of U.S. law.

¹ [DJI Shell Companies Surge Ahead of December Ban Deadline](#)

² <https://dronexl.co/2025/10/02/dji-logo-lyno-dynamics-fcc-filing/>

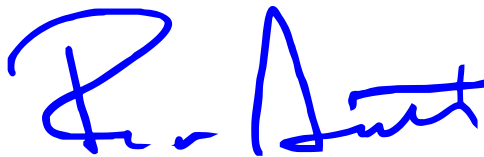
Accordingly, I respectfully urge the commission to:

1. Exercise any available authority under the new order to rescind, at a bare minimum, all existing equipment authorizations for DJI and Autel Robotics devices issued since the enactment of the *Fiscal Year 2025 National Defense Authorization Act*, including any approved under proxy entities;
2. Deny any licenses to devices that utilize components³, software, or subsystems sourced from DJI, Autel, or its subsidiaries; and
3. Strengthen corporate disclosure requirements, as possible, in FCC filings to prevent shell companies from concealing ultimate ownership or control.

Lastly, I wish to thank you for your outstanding leadership in protecting our nation's capacity to build up a robust domestic drone industry. For years, I have worked to reduce the United States' dependence on foreign suppliers, especially Communist China, for critical drone technologies. Our work to address this will not only strengthen national security but also bolster American industry, create high-quality jobs, and ensure that future generations of drones are designed and built according to trusted standards. We can reclaim our leadership in the global drone market, and this new proposed order can be an integral part of that effort.

Thank you for your consideration of my requests and your continued leadership in protecting America's communications networks and advancing our economic and national security interests. I am here to support your efforts and would appreciate a response by **COB October 27, 2025**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rick Scott", with a stylized, cursive script.

Rick Scott
United States Senator

³ <https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/blog/2025/10/06/spice-month-plus>