



Immediately after Thursday's announcement came out, the Chinese embassy in the US said China does not want a trade war but is not afraid of one.

"If a trade war were initiated by the United States, China would fight to the end to defend its own legitimate interests with all necessary measures," said the embassy in a statement shortly after the announcement came out.

China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) also slammed US measures on Friday for violating the World Trade Organization (WTO) rules, adding China's planning to impose tariffs on 128 types of US import, totaling an estimated three billion US dollars.

