**From:** Art. 4.1(b) (TRADE) **Sent:** Wednesday, February 03, 2016 5:02 PM

**To:** Art. 4.1(b)

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Subject: RE: EU-China Investment Agreement - Market access for non-services

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Thank you for your email. I can indeed confirm that discriminatory JV requirements are part of the negotiations. We have not discussed specific sectors yet, but expect to do so later within 2016.

Hope this clarifies.

Kind regards,

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**From:** Art. 4.1(b)

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**To:** Art. 4.1(b) (TRADE)

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**Subject:** EU-China Investment Agreement - Market access for non-services

Dear Art. 4.1(b),

I hope this email finds you well.

I refer to our various exchanges on the EU-China Investment Agreement, both bilaterally as well as in the framework of BusinessEurope meetings.

As we have discussed during those occasions, ACEA fully supports the intensification of investment relations between the EU and China and has been advocating for an ambitious and comprehensive Investment Agreement with a strong coverage of investment market access as well. As the joint venture requirement in China with an equity cap of 50%

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, we have appreciated that the Commission has intended to put an emphasis on discussing such restrictions with China in the Investment Agreement.

We have taken good note of the Commission's statement released on 15 January with regard to the agreement reached with China on the scope of the agreement. We were wondering if you could inform us in more details about the coverage. We would particularly appreciate your confirmation whether such important joint venture requirements for non-services (in our case automobile manufacturing) will be in the scope of the negotiations going forward.

Thank you very much in advance for your reassurance.

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