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Commissioner Cecilia Malmstrom  
European Commission  
Berlaymont Building  
200 Rue de la Loi  
1049 Brussels  
Belgium

Dear Commissioner Malmstrom,

Thank you for taking the time to meet on April 20. I very much enjoyed our discussion on Digital Trade and TTIP.

It was reassuring to hear that you understand the importance of including a strong Digital Chapter in trade agreements you are negotiating, such as TTIP.

We understand that a successful conclusion on the Privacy Shield will provide the right conditions to achieve this. Digital Trade is an enabler for all sectors of our economies, not only the ICT sector.

2016 is an important year for Trade and you can count on IBM's support during the months ahead to move forward the negotiations on TTIP and TiSA.

Thanks again for a very enjoyable and productive discussion and I look forward to our next opportunity to meet.

Sincerely,

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