

Tuesday, October 08

Subject: Meeting with Gore on regulatory and other issues Dear

[article 4.1b]:

[article 4.1b], [article 4.1b] and I met with Gore today. There was one person coming from Delaware ([article 4.1b], gov relations) and [article 4.1b] from Germany (who is moving from the legal team to the coordination of Gore's activities in the EU). They came accompanied by two consultants (former USTRs: [article 4.1b] and [article 4.1b]).

The company does medical devices, electronic and industrial products and textiles. In Europe, they have facilities in Germany and the UK.

They wanted mainly to have a sense on where we are in the negotiations, but did not provide much substance on their side.

On medical devices, they are part of Advamed and Eucomed and they share the comments on regulatory that Advamed submitted in October last year. On textiles, they are part of the US Footwear and Textile association, but they often have a more nuanced position because of the specificity of the products they make. They have not worked through their association to submit regulatory comments on textiles. They were not ready to give us more specificity on what they would like to achieve on regulatory-textiles in this negotiation.

They will meet Dan Mullaney tomorrow. We took the opportunity to very clearly state that the EU seeks two things in the regulatory component of TTIP: both horizontal and sectoral. We also talked about the horizontal issues, they raised the articles in IUT on Froman saying that the EU should adopt the US system -[article 4.1b] insisted the EU standard system worked well, that CEN-CENELEC worked well with ISO and that the system should not be changed in the context of TTIP negotiations.

Then they also said they wanted no changes to the Berry Amendment, asked what would be the approach on rules of origin (that the US was very reluctant to have diagonal accumulation of RoO, CAFTA and NAFTA were the two only FTAs where the US had included diagonal accumulation rules).

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