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## <u>Meeting of Cabinet Hogan members with U.S. Dairy Export Council (USDEC) - 3</u> December 2014

## **Summary**

Cabinet Hogan members met USDEC representatives at the latter's request. During a 45-minutes cordial meeting, the U.S. stakeholder presented U.S milk industry positions on TTIP and sought CAB views on the same process. USDEC confirmed industry support to TTIP, seen an important opportunity to increase bilateral trade, and underlined the importance to tackle at the same time tariff and non-tariff (NTBs, SPS) issues which still hamper trade flows. On GIs, the U.S. industry reps recalled their concerns vis-à-vis EU positions, in TTIP and on a more global scale.

CAB members underlined the primary importance of TTIP in the new Commission agenda, as well as the economic and political relevance of a successful outcome on GIs in the TTIP context.

## Participants:

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