Catrine Norrgård and I met on 19 February 2015 at his request Mr Marco Rupp from Novozymes, a company producing enzymes headquartered in Denmark.

Mr Rupp requested that the Commission would consider including enzymes into its product list for the plurilateral Green Goods negotiations. According to Mr Rupp, through the use of enzymes (which are present all over in the nature) industries are able to rethink their processes and products, and produce more with less, saving water, energy and raw materials.

Based on the advice of DG TRADE we noted that that Commission is prepared to recommend the inclusion of enzymes to the EU’s product list, but that this would need to be discussed first with the Member States and then with the other participants to the Green Goods negotiations. We also highlighted that Commissioner Malmström attaches particular importance to the Green Goods negotiations, which can be beneficial for both the environment and the economy.

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