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BE strongly supports the TTIP negotiations and the inclusion of investment protection and ISDS in the agreement. It would like to see the negotiations on investment resuming as soon as possible. In that respect it wants that the agreement does not lower the level of protection, nor has sectoral carve outs. BE would prefer neither to have restrictive filters that limit access to ISDS nor to have an obligation to go through mediation prior to accessing ISDS. BE objects to applying ISDS to preestablishment. They are concerned that an appeal mechanism may take some time to be established, particularly if it is going to be multilateral, and prefers not to wait for multilateral solutions.

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They are interested in the next steps in respect of TTIP and the development of EU investment policy.

Com informed that following the report on the TTIP consultation Com is working on proposals that should come later in spring to address the four issues identified in the report. Key meetings with the EP and the informal Trade Ministers meeting in Riga will take place in March.

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