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Meeting report

19 January 2015

Participants:

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Topic: TTIP Government procurement and rail sector

Summary:

- 4.1(b) updated DG TRADE of recent developments in the US rail sector and the application of US domestic preferences.
- European rail industry is concerned about the strict application of Buy American laws and the new legislative initiatives which would even broaden the scope of current preferences.
- DG TRADE took note of concerns and gave an overall summary of the EU aims with respect to government procurement and Buy American laws within TTIP.
- There was a short exchange of views on the practical application of domestic preferences in the US rail sector with respect to Federal and State laws.