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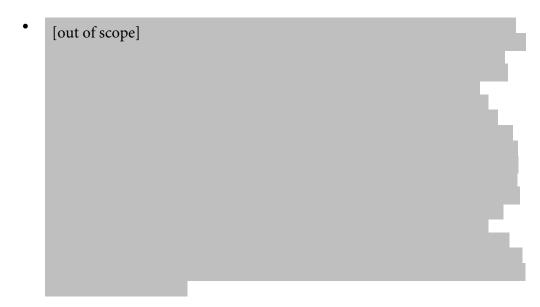
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Participants:

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 On JP, while VDA is generally supportive of trade deals, and is not afraid of facing competition from abroad, it also questioned the benefits of having an FTA as a 10% duty on EU side was a significant concession in terms of final cost of the car. While NTBs were targeted by our negotiations, VDA sees cultural differences are the main obstacle to exports.

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