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meeting report - British - Irish Chamber of Commerce - 7/12/2017

Date: 7/12/17  
Participants: British-Irish Chamber of Commerce (BICC):  

Summary of the meeting:

BICC presented their principles for the future relationship between the EU and the UK:

- A new customs partnership between EU and UK enabling borderless, tariff-free trade for goods, movement of people and skills for the UK, co-development of new global trade deals, coupled with a comprehensive deal on trade in services.
- UK’s regulatory alignment to EU rules.
- Dispute settlement resembling arrangements between the EU and EFTA countries (EFTA Court)
- Co-operation in a number of fields (e.g. energy, security, aviation) combined with UK financial contributions to the EU budget in those areas.

BICC handed over us their recent report – How to Make Brexit Work for All – which further details these principles.

We thanked for these constructive ideas and reassured that it is in EU’s interest to ensure as strong economic integration with the UK as possible, taking into account political guidance given by the European Council. We also advised BICC to share their principles with key decision takers in the UK.