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Subject: Meeting with Transport & Environment on MIC | Flash

COM ( , ) met Transport & Environment (T&E) on 31 January 2018 to discuss issues related to the multilateral investment court (MIC) project.

T&E sought an update on the UNCITRAL process and enquired about COM’s expectations for the April 2018 meeting of Working Group III. The state of play and the importance of developing countries engagement in the process were discussed. Reference was made to the UNCITRAL trust fund for travel assistance. T&E recalled that it is still trying to obtain observer accreditation at UNCITRAL, which COM has flagged to UNCITRAL. The involvement of the UNCITRAL Commission and UN General Assembly in light of the mandate of Working Group III was discussed.

T&E also sought clarifications on COM’s upcoming meetings with stakeholders and a possible Sustainability Impact Assessment.

Kind regards,

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