



## Meeting with the Pokémon company international

### Meeting date and place

Meeting held on 25/07/2018 11:00

### Participating organisation(s) & representative(s)

[Art 4.1(b)]	-- Cabinet d'avocats SAMMAN (TRN: 472030121036-71)	Participant, Requester,
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[Art 4.1(b)]	-- The Pokémon Company International	Participant,
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### Main issues discussed

[Art 4.1(b)] the chief legal officer of the Pokémon Company International, and two external legal advisers met with DG Trade [Art 4.1(b)] [Art 4.1(b)] to inquire about the state-of-play of the US Section 232 measures on steel and aluminium imports and the EU's rebalancing measures. One of the companies' top-line products, the well-known Pokémon trading cards, is classified as 'playing cards' in the HS classification system (950440) and is therefore subject to the additional import duties of 10% in the EU as part of the Union's rebalancing measures.

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Canada has also included playing cards in its countermeasures. [Art 4.1(a)] [Art 4.1(a)]

DG Trade explained the three steps in the EU's response to the US trade restrictions on steel and aluminium, and explained the rationale behind the product scope of the EU's rebalancing measures. In reply to a specific question from the Pokémon Company, the company [Art 4.1(a)] [Art 4.1(a)] in the US.

### Directorate or unit

TRADE E/1

### Internal participants

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[Art 4.1(b)]

### Validator and validation date

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