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Meeting Report

Meeting with ORGALIME – 13.01.2015

Participants:			
ORGALIME Trade Group members, see attachment.			
Commission:		and	, Trade F3.

- ORGALIME reiterated that they continue to work in order to establish joint positions
 with US sectorial associations, in the sectors of household appliances, machine tools
 and lifting equipment. They also continue work with NEMA in order to achieve a more
 developed common position. Commission welcomed this approach as this is a very
 effective way to move the discussions forward with the US.
- ORGALIME announced that they are preparing another mission to the US in the near future.
- VDMA representative recalled concerns on standardisation and certification and insisted on the idea of tackling the issue of certification, in particular regarding the modernisation of the NRTL scheme and how this could also benefit US industry.
- Some members requested additional information about the possible outcomes of the CEN-CENELEC discussions with ANSI, in particular about deliverables of such cooperation could undermine ISO and IEC.
- ORGALIME recalled the Korea certification issue for machinery, in particular on how it differently impacts foreign manufacturers versus local ones and how it affects providing their first quote to enter the market.
- ORGALIME also requested additional information on RoO in the Vietnam FTA and possible progress on NAMA.