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Meeting with BCTT on TTIP IPR issues - 4 October 2013

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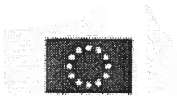
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Participants: Mr Pedro Velasco Martins, Ms Lauma Buka (DG Trade), Mr Denis Sparas (DG MARKT) and Business Coalition for Transatlantic Trade (BCTT) representatives ([ART. 4.1b]) and representatives from various BCTT member companies (including Johnson & Johnson, Microsoft and Philip Morris International).

Summary: BCTT presented a list of priority areas that they would like to see addressed in the IPR Chapter of TTIP, notably cooperation vis-à-vis 3rd markets, data exclusivity for pharmaceuticals, software legalization and protection of trade secrets. The list was very general and the industry seemed unprepared to discuss these priorities in more detail but indicated readiness to work on follow-up submissions in several areas (patents, trademarks and data exclusivity). Commission took note of the industry's position and welcomed further submissions.

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