

## **CM-Lighthizer meeting, 10 September 2018: Follow-up to the Joint Statement of Presidents Juncker and Trump of 25 July**

### **Summary**

This first Ministerial-level discussion to follow-up the two Presidents' Joint Statement of 25 July took place in a generally positive atmosphere.

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### **Detail**

Following a one-to-one discussion between principals, Commissioner Malmström (CM) and USTR Lighthizer (RL) held a 2½ hour discussion on follow-up to the Joint Statement of Presidents Juncker and Trump of 25 July.

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The two sides then reviewed different elements from the July Joint Statement.

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## LNG

CM noted that there was a clear demand in the EU for US LNG as part of our supply diversification strategy. The EU was also investing strongly in necessary infrastructure. RL recognised the need for the US Department of Energy to speed up export authorisations as part of US implementation of the Joint Statement and a general effort to facilitate trade within the limits set by US statute.

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