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Participants:

COM: Sabine Weyand (DG), [REDACTED] (G3)
BDI: [REDACTED] (Executive Board Member), [REDACTED]

Summary:

A meeting between BDI and DG Sabine Weyand took place upon the association's request on 9 October 2019. The discussion focussed on the following issues:

- BDI inquired about the expected design of a potential Border Adjustment Tax, and informed of an interesting analysis [REDACTED]
- BDI referred to its recent China paper and highlighted the importance of tackling trade distortions and reforming the WTO.
- BDI outlined its views on the future of EU industrial policy (as per their recent paper on seven industrial policy priorities for 2019-2024).
- BDI reported about its recent visit to Washington DC, highlighting that the current focus of US trade policy remains China. At the same time, BDI inquired about the state of play of Airbus-Boeing disputes and related countermeasures.
- BDI also inquired about the MERCOSUR agreement and informed about its recent trip to Brazil, reporting that the new governor in Northeast Brazil showed support for the trade agreement with the EU, and that he might visit Brussels and Berlin shortly.

DG Sabine Weyand outlined the state of play and potential next steps on the above-mentioned issues and responded to the questions raised by BDI.

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