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Meeting report: VDA (German automotive industry) with Jean-Luc Demarty - 25 February 2015.

Participants:

VDA: M.Wissmann; [Art.4(1)b]; [Art.4(1)b]; [Art. 4(1)b]
 COM: J-L. Demarty; S.Ratso; [ART 4(1)b]

The meeting was held in a cordial and constructive atmosphere.

- TTIP: VDA has been very active in Germany in supporting TTIP, especially via a recent press conference with the participation of top German CEOs. Message on ISDS was very positive. The event was picked-up by key global media. In Germany, politicians look closely at the stance of trade unions, and some of them even though they are not against TTIP itself are opposed to ISDS. On the latter, VDA was of the opinion that even a long term prospect of the establishment of a special investment court at the international level, which is floated in some circles in Germany, could be interesting to explore. On the equivalence studies, Mr Wissmann said they would be ready end of April. JLD welcomed the timing of the studies which should not be delayed further.

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