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Directorate-General for Trade

Directorate D - Sustainable Development; Economic Partnership Agreements - African, Caribbean and Pacific; Agri-food and Fisheries

The Director

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Your Excellencies,

With a view to having a transparent and accountable trade policy based on consultations with European civil society, DG Trade holds a Civil Society Dialogue consisting in regular, structured meetings to discuss trade policy issues, including ongoing trade negotiations.

An update on the state of play of the negotiations of the EU-MERCOSUR trade agreement is scheduled to take place on 6 September 2017 from 10:30 to 13:30 in Centre Albert Borschette. It is my pleasure to invite you, the Trade Chief Negotiators of MERCOSUR, to join me and participate as speakers in this event.

This will be a unique opportunity for the European civil society to be able to hear directly the views of MERCOSUR and be reassured of your commitment to a successful conclusion of an agreement which is based on shared values and interests.

I would be grateful if you could confirm your attendance to our functional mail box at before the 28 August 2017.

I look forward to your attendance and to a fruitful exchange.

Sandra GALLINA

cc.: Mercosur Chief Negotiators