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Cabinet of Executive Vice-President Valdis Dombrovskis

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Meeting with KEIDANREN

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Participants: EVP Valdis Dombrovskis, Kevin Keary, Art. 4(1)(b) (CAB-Dombrovskis), Art. 4(1)(b) (DG Trade).

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Minutes of the meeting:

A short courtesy meeting on the occasion of Keidanren’s high-level mission to the EU. The meeting took place in a friendly and cooperative atmosphere and focused on how to address in a balanced manner (i) international free trade and investment relations, (ii) economic security and (iii) decarbonization. There was a further exchange of views on the current business climate with China, the broader green agenda and key growth opportunities for Japanese business. More concrete topics included WTO MC 13, EU-US relations, the Critical Raw Materials Club and data flows. Both sides praised each other’s efforts in stimulating free trade and expressed their willingness for further cooperation.

Topics: EU – Japan Trade relations, WTO, Economic security.

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