

Amendment 30

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Motion for a resolution**B8-0163/2019****Bernd Lange**

on behalf of the Committee on International Trade
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Motion for a resolution**Recital E***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

E. whereas *owing to the limited scope* of the *agreement*, the formal impact assessment *process, including sustainability impact assessments, that usually accompanies the start of trade negotiations, and to which the Commission committed itself in line with the Trade for All strategy and the principles of the Better Regulation agenda, has been waived; whereas the impact assessment carried out during the negotiations of TTIP should be consulted and taken into account;*

E. whereas *in the Trade for All strategy the Commission committed, in line with the principles of the Better Regulation agenda, to subject any significant initiative in the field of trade policy to an impact assessment; whereas the Commission intends to waive the formal impact assessment for the proposed agreement on free trade for all industrial goods and fisheries, although such an agreement would cover most EU trade in goods with the US (94 % of exports and 95 % of imports);*

Or. en

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Recital E a (new)

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Ea. whereas the mandate proposed by the Commission does not include negotiating a chapter on Trade and Sustainability;

Or. en

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Recital E b (new)

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Eb. whereas prior to negotiations it is necessary to conduct a comprehensive consultation process with civil society and an impact assessment of any proposed trade deal, to include its potential impact on CO2 emissions in line with the commitments of the Paris Climate Agreement and other multilateral environmental agreements;

Or. en

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Amendment 33

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Recital H

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H. whereas the Trump administration has initiated a similar investigation into imports of motor vehicles and automotive parts, ***which could lead to increased tariffs on imports of such goods from the EU***; whereas the US Department of Commerce ***report with a recommendation on whether or not the US should adopt*** import restrictions on cars for national security reasons ***is due for release***;

H. whereas the Trump administration has initiated a similar investigation into imports of motor vehicles and automotive parts; whereas the US Department of Commerce ***has reportedly recommended adopting*** import restrictions on cars for national security reasons; ***whereas President Trump has stated his intention to refrain from this measure if the EU signs the trade agreement under negotiation with the US***;

Or. en

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 2***Motion for a resolution*

2. Reiterates that the EU should not negotiate with the US under threat; notes, ***however, that*** the recommendations to open negotiations for a WTO-compliant agreement ***are essential to uphold and fully implement the commitments agreed between the EU and the US in the Statement;***

Amendment

2. Reiterates that the EU should not negotiate with the US under threat ***and supports the line of Commissioner Malmström, namely: ‘We won’t allow ourselves to be blackmailed and we don’t negotiate when someone puts a gun to our heads’;*** notes ***with surprise*** the recommendations to open negotiations for a WTO-compliant agreement ***without requesting as a precondition the lifting of the tariffs imposed on steel and aluminium products from EU Member States, as well as the withdrawal of the repeated threats to impose additional tariffs of up to 25 % on automotive industry products, which would harm production lines both in EU Member States and in the US;***

Or. en

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Paragraph 6 a (new)

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6a. Takes the view that a limited agreement with the US on the elimination of tariffs on industrial goods derogates from the Commission's comprehensive Trade for All strategy, which also includes enforceable labour and environmental standards, and risks being incompatible with GATT Article XXIV if the automobile sector is excluded, and disagrees with the Commission's reasoning of special circumstances for pursuing this approach;

Or. en

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Paragraph 7 a (new)

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7a. Notes with dismay the Commission's decision of 29 January 2019 to classify US soya beans as meeting the technical requirements under the Renewable Energy Directive for use in biofuels in the EU, as well as its declaration justifying this decision as part of the implementation of the Joint Statement; criticises the Commission for signalling to the US authorities with this step that it is open to including negotiations on agricultural goods in a second step within a reframed transatlantic trade relationship;

Or. en

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Paragraph 7 b (new)

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7b. Calls on the Commission to review its offensive stance of demanding more US exports of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) as a means to rebalance transatlantic trade volumes and diversify supply; criticises the additional investments from the Union budget in storage facilities following the commitments made by President Juncker in the Joint Statement; points out that US-produced LNG is largely obtained by shale-gas extraction - a technology with a highly negative climate impact and widely rejected by the European population;

Or. en

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 11***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

11. Deeply regrets the ***withdrawal of*** the US from the Paris Agreement; recalls that the European Parliament stressed in its resolution on climate diplomacy that the EU should make the ratification and implementation of the Paris Agreement a ***condition*** for future trade agreements; ***highlights nevertheless that the recommendations refer to a limited agreement and not a comprehensive free trade agreement; considers, therefore, that any such agreements should represent an exception dictated by specific circumstances, and in any case not create a precedent for the European Union in future negotiations;*** notes, ***in this context,*** that the resolution on climate diplomacy stresses the importance of closely cooperating with the US, and calls on the Commission to engage with the US on climate and sustainability policies;

11. Deeply regrets the ***decision of President Trump to withdraw*** the US from the Paris Agreement; recalls that the European Parliament stressed in its resolution on climate diplomacy that the EU should make the ratification and implementation of the Paris Agreement a ***precondition*** for future trade agreements; ***welcomes the proposal on the matter put forward by the French, Spanish and Luxembourg delegations to the Council (Environment) on 5 March 2019;*** notes that the resolution on climate diplomacy stresses the importance of closely cooperating with the US, and calls on the Commission to engage with the US on climate and sustainability policies;

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Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

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11a. Reminds the Commission of its obligation to present a sustainability impact assessment for this proposed major trade agreement, in line with the Better Regulation principles and to present the impact assessment prior to the decision on a negotiating mandate;

Or. en