Question for written answer E-002926/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Emma McClarkin (ECR)

Subject: DG Trade resources

The Commission is currently negotiating a number of new free trade agreements (FTAs). Understandably, a lot of its focus is on the negotiations with the United States on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).

There are, however, a number of other FTAs which are extremely important to the EU economy, with a real chance of concluding successful and ambitious agreements. The modernisation of the EU-Mexico relationship is one such example.

What is the Commission doing to ensure that sufficient staff and resources are allocated to DG Trade from other Commission Directorates-General to work on these FTA negotiations so as to allow them to progress?

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