

**Question for written answer E-000495/2017  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) negotiations

The new US President, Donald Trump, has made closing down the negotiations on a trade agreement with the EU one of the central planks of a new foreign policy doctrine. There is therefore much uncertainty over the future of EU-US trade relations, in particular TTIP, about which many wild claims have been made. This negotiating framework set up in 2008 provides a forum for discussions that are essential in order to protect Europe's commercial interests and our demanding economic, social and environmental standards.

1. What discussions have there been between the Commission and the new Trump administration, in particular the Office of the United States Trade Representative?
2. Will the Commission push for the continuation or the termination of the TTIP negotiations?
3. What steps would the EU need to take vis-à-vis the United States in order to shut down the trade agreement process?