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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
Bernd Lange
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the state of EU-US relations
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Amendment 1
Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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1. Notes that the US was the largest market for EU exports and the second-largest source of EU imports in 2017; notes that there are differences in the trade deficits and surpluses between the EU and the US for trade in goods, trade in services, digital trade and foreign direct investment;

Amendment

1. ***Emphasises that the EU-US trade and investment relationship is the largest in the world and is based on shared values as well as on far more than half a century of collaboration***; notes that the US was the largest market for EU exports and the second-largest source of EU imports in 2017; notes that there are differences in the trade deficits and surpluses between the EU and the US for trade in goods, trade in services, digital trade and foreign direct investment;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Amendment

1. Notes that the US was the largest market for EU exports and the second-largest source of EU imports in 2017; notes that there are differences in the trade deficits and surpluses between the EU and the US for trade in goods, trade in services, digital trade and foreign direct investment; ***emphasizes that the EU-US partnership is one of the most important drivers of global economic growth, trade, and prosperity***;

Or. en

Amendment 3
William (The Earl of) Dartmouth

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 4
Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 5
Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

1a. Takes note of President Trump's announcement in March 2018 to impose import tariffs of 25% on steel and 10% on aluminium on illegitimate grounds of national security; notes the exemptions to these tariffs granted to a number of countries, including Canada and Mexico; regrets that the EU has so far only been temporarily exempted until June 1st 2018; reiterates that the EU, as a political, military and economic ally of the United States, should be granted a full and permanent exemption to the measures; emphasises that the on-going uncertainty only adds to market volatility and has negative economic consequences for business and consumers both in Europe and the United States;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

1a. Believes that a trade and investment agreement between the EU and the US would be one of the most important global economic initiatives, which could have a significant positive impact on both economies, and would allow EU businesses easier and greater access to the US market of 300m+ consumers;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on the Commission to develop a unified approach to the future trade relations with the US and in particular to explore the possibility of a trade agreement mainly concentrated on tariffs between the EU and the US in order to reduce barriers on both sides;

Or. en

Amendment 8
William (The Earl of) Dartmouth

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Recognises that in the view of many authorities, Germany's trade surplus in goods with the US is excessive and not in the interest of the German and wider Eurozone economies;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

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Amendment

1b. Takes note of the United States' decision to withdraw from the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA);

regrets the effect this decision will have on European companies doing business in Iran through the likely extraterritorial impact of secondary sanctions; welcomes the actions announced by the European Commission on May 18th to preserve the EU's autonomous policy space, the interests of European companies investing in Iran and which demonstrate the EU's commitment to the JCPOA;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

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Amendment

1b. Stresses that the EU and US are two key players in a globalised world that is evolving with unprecedented speed and intensity, and that given the shared challenges, the EU and the US have a common interest in collaborating and coordinating on trade policy matters to shape the future multilateral trading system, and global standards;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Alessia Maria Mosca, Nicola Danti, David Martin

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2. Reiterates its support for the WTO's role within the multilateral system; calls on the Commission to work with the

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US on a positive response to the current institutional and systemic challenges;

open, fair and rules-based system, which takes account of, and balances, the many varying interests of its members; calls on the Commission to *further* work with the US on a positive response to the current institutional and systemic challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Marietje Schaake

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2. *Reiterates its support for the WTO's role* within the multilateral system; *calls on* the Commission to work with the US on a positive response to the current institutional and systemic challenges;

Amendment

2. *Recalls the central role the WTO plays* within the multilateral system; *reiterates its support for further strengthening the multilateral trading system; supports the work undertaken by* the Commission to work with the US on a positive response to the current institutional and systemic challenges;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl

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Or. en

Amendment 14
Laima Liucija Andrikienė

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2a. Calls on the United States to stop practicing threats of punitive tariffs that are jeopardizing the transatlantic relations and the global trade and investment system under WTO rules;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Sorin Moisă

Draft opinion
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Amendment

3. Calls on the Commission to engage with other WTO members to ensure the proper functioning of the WTO Dispute Settlement System and ***to explore ways of reforming it in order*** to overcome the current impasse on filling the vacancies in the Appellate Body, if necessary ***excluding the US***;

3. Calls on the Commission to engage with other WTO members ***in order*** to ensure the proper functioning of the WTO Dispute Settlement System and to overcome the current impasse on filling the vacancies in the Appellate Body, if necessary ***by reforming it; such reforms could aim at ensuring the highest possible level of efficiency and independence of the system, while remaining consistent with the values and the general approach that the EU has constantly defended since the creation of the WTO, notably the promotion of free and fair trade on a global basis, under the rule of law and the need for all WTO Members to comply with all WTO obligations***;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Marietje Schaake

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Paragraph 3

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3. Calls on *the Commission to engage with other* WTO members to ensure the proper functioning of the WTO Dispute Settlement System *and to explore ways of reforming it in order to overcome the current impasse on filling the vacancies in the Appellate Body, if necessary excluding the US;*

Amendment

3. *Stresses the role of the WTO in settling trade related disputes; calls on all* WTO members to ensure the proper functioning of the WTO Dispute Settlement System; *regrets in this regard the blocking of new nominations to fill the vacancies in the Appellate Body which threatens the very functioning of the WTO dispute settlement system; calls on the Commission and all WTO members to explore ways to overcome this impasse;*

Or. en

Amendment 17
Maria Arena

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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3. *Calls on the Commission to engage with other* WTO members to ensure the proper functioning of the WTO Dispute Settlement System and to explore ways of reforming it in order to overcome the current impasse on filling the vacancies in the Appellate Body, if necessary excluding the US;

Amendment

3. *Regrets that the work of the WTO dispute settlement body is being obstructed by the US and calls on the Commission to engage with other* WTO members to ensure the proper functioning of the WTO Dispute Settlement System and to explore ways of reforming it in order to overcome the current impasse on filling the vacancies in the Appellate Body, if necessary excluding the US;

Or. fr

Amendment 18
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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Amendment 19
Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl

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Or. en

Amendment 20
Laima Liucija Andrikienė

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3a. Expresses its support to the

Commission in its engagement with the United States in order to avoid a trade war; supports the Commission in its efforts to improve the trade relations with the United States on terms of reciprocal market access for industrial goods, deeper energy relations, voluntary regulatory co-operation, exemption from higher steel and aluminium tariffs and the removal of the impasse on renewing judges at the WTO's appellate body;

Or. en

Amendment 21
Marietje Schaake

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4. While regretting the lack of results at the Eleventh WTO Ministerial Conference (MC11), welcomes the signature of the joint statement on elimination of unfair market-distorting and protectionist practices by the US, the EU and Japan, which was also highlighted in the Statement by the G20 in July 2017;

Amendment

4. While regretting the lack of results at the Eleventh WTO Ministerial Conference (MC11), welcomes the signature of the joint statement on elimination of unfair market-distorting and protectionist practices by the US, the EU and Japan, which was also highlighted in the Statement by the G20 in July 2017; ***calls on the EU and US in this regards to continue working together to address unfair trading practices such as discrimination, limiting market access, dumping and subsidies;***

Or. en

Amendment 22
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

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4. While regretting the lack of results at the Eleventh WTO Ministerial Conference (MC11), welcomes the signature of the joint statement on elimination of unfair market-distorting and protectionist practices by the US, the EU and Japan, which was also highlighted in the Statement by the G20 in July 2017;

Amendment

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Calls on further cooperation with the US and Japan on this matter;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Emma McClarkin

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5. Calls on the Commission to establish a work plan with the US and other WTO members on the elimination of distorting subsidies in the cotton sector and in the fisheries sector (relating in particular to IUU fishing); calls for cooperation in advancing the multilateral agenda on new issues such as e-commerce and trade and gender;

Amendment

5. Calls on the Commission to establish a work plan with the US and other WTO members on the elimination of distorting subsidies in the cotton sector and in the fisheries sector (relating in particular to IUU fishing); calls for cooperation in advancing the multilateral agenda on new issues such as e-commerce, ***investment facilitation***, and trade and gender, ***and in promoting specific policies to facilitate the participation of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the global economy;***

Or. en

Amendment 24
Marietje Schaake

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5. Calls on the Commission to establish a work plan with the US and other WTO members on the elimination of distorting subsidies in the cotton sector and in the fisheries sector (relating in particular to IUU fishing); calls for cooperation in advancing the multilateral agenda on new issues such as e-commerce **and** trade **and** gender;

Amendment

5. Calls on the Commission to establish a work plan with the US and other WTO members on the elimination of distorting subsidies in the cotton sector and in the fisheries sector (relating in particular to IUU fishing); calls for ***ambition and*** cooperation in advancing the multilateral agenda on new issues such as e-commerce, ***digital trade including digital development as well as*** gender ***and environmental aspects of trade***;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Yannick Jadot

Draft opinion
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5. Calls on the Commission to establish a work plan with the US and other WTO members on the elimination of distorting subsidies in the cotton sector and in the fisheries sector (relating in particular to IUU fishing); calls for cooperation in advancing the multilateral agenda on new issues such as e-commerce **and** trade and gender;

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Or. en

Amendment 26
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. *Calls for the EU and the US to promote cooperation at the international level in order to strengthen international agreements in the field of public procurement, notably the Government Procurement Agreement;*

Or. en

Amendment 27
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. *Calls on the Commission to enter into dialogue with the United States with a view to resume negotiations on the plurilateral Environmental Goods Agreement (EGA) and the Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA);*

Or. en

Amendment 28
Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

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6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; deeply regrets, therefore, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's reliance on instruments and policy

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tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system; ***also stresses that any sanctions that may be taken by the US in the form of countermeasures on European goods following the publication of the Compliance Appellate Body report in the frame of the US complaint against the EU on measures affecting trade in large civil aircraft would not be legitimate, as 204 of the 218 claims put forward by the US were rejected by the WTO and a further report on the related case against US illegal subsidies remains expected;***

Or. en

Amendment 29
Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
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6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; deeply regrets, ***therefore***, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's reliance on instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Amendment

6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting ***multilateral rules and*** the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; deeply regrets the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's reliance on instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) ***that were*** created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system; ***notes in this regard that the US decision to impose steel and aluminium tariffs under section 232 cannot be justified on the grounds of national security;***

Or. en

Amendment 30
Tiziana Beghin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; deeply regrets, therefore, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's reliance on instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Amendment

6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; deeply regrets, therefore, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's reliance on instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system ***and call for the Commission to respond firmly should they be used as a way to curb EU exports;***

Or. en

Amendment 31
Bernd Lange

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; ***deeply*** regrets, therefore, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's reliance on instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Amendment

6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions ***as they are harmful for all global value chains in which EU companies operate,*** regrets, therefore, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's reliance on instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Amendment 32
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

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6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; deeply regrets, therefore, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's *reliance on* instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Amendment

6. Calls for the EU and the US to pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting the dispute settlement process in the WTO and avoiding unilateral actions; deeply regrets, therefore, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's *employment of* instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Or. en

Amendment 33
Yannick Jadot

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls *for the EU and* the US to *pool resources to fight unfair trade policies and practices, while respecting* the dispute settlement process in the WTO and *avoiding* unilateral actions; deeply regrets, *therefore*, the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's *reliance on* instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Amendment

6. Calls *on* the US to *respect* the dispute settlement process in the WTO and *to withdraw its* unilateral actions *such as additional steel and aluminium tariffs*; deeply regrets the uncertainty in the international trading system caused by the US's *reference to national* instruments and policy tools (e.g. Section 232 from 1992, Section 301 from 1974) created before the creation of the WTO and its dispute settlement system;

Amendment 34

Tiziana Beghin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Expects the Commission not to negotiate the weakening of EU regulatory framework as a tool to appease tension with the US;

Or. en

Amendment 35

Sorin Moisă

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

Amendment

7. Commends the EU and the US for the good bilateral cooperation on a wide range of regulatory issues, as evidenced by the recently concluded bilateral agreement on prudential measures regarding insurance and re-insurance or the mutual recognition agreement on recognition of inspections of medicines manufacturers;

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Amendment 36

Yannick Jadot

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. ***Commends the EU and the US for the good*** bilateral cooperation on a wide range of regulatory issues, as evidenced by the recently concluded bilateral agreement on prudential measures regarding insurance and re-insurance or the mutual recognition agreement on recognition of inspections of medicines manufacturers;

Amendment

7. ***Takes note of the continuing*** bilateral cooperation ***between the EU and the US*** on a wide range of regulatory issues, as evidenced by the recently concluded bilateral agreement on prudential measures regarding insurance and re-insurance or the mutual recognition agreement on recognition of inspections of medicines manufacturers;

Or. en

Amendment 37

Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7

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7. Commends the EU and the US for the good bilateral cooperation on a wide range of regulatory issues, as evidenced by the recently concluded bilateral agreement on prudential measures regarding insurance and re-insurance or the mutual recognition agreement on recognition of inspections of medicines manufacturers;

Amendment

7. Commends the EU and the US for the good bilateral cooperation on a wide range of ***other*** regulatory issues, as evidenced by the recently concluded bilateral agreement on prudential measures regarding insurance and re-insurance or the mutual recognition agreement on recognition of inspections of medicines manufacturers;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. *Calls for working towards even deeper transatlantic trade and investment relations through increased cooperation in multilateral fora, such as the WTO, and through bilateral cooperation, such as within a comprehensive and ambitious bilateral trade and investment agreement; calls therefore for a renewed initiative for negotiating such an agreement on both sides of the Atlantic;*

Or. en

Amendment 39
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. *Stresses the crucial importance of intellectual property to the EU and the US economies; calls on both parties to support research and innovation on both sides of the Atlantic, guaranteeing high levels of intellectual property protection, and ensuring that those who create high quality innovative products can continue to do so;*

Or. en

Amendment 40
Bernd Lange

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Calls on the EU and the US to improve market access for SME's exporting to the US and to the EU, by means of increasing transparency on existing rules and market openings on both sides of the Atlantic, for instance through an SME portal

Or. en

Amendment 41
Bernd Lange

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Calls on the EU and the US, in the framework of their bilateral cooperation, to refrain from tax competition between the EU and US as this will only lead to a decrease of investment in both economies

Or. en

Amendment 42
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Calls for collaborative efforts to tackle the illegal sale of wildlife and wildlife products; regrets the US action to lift the ban on elephant ivory from Zimbabwe and Zambia;

Amendment 43
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

Draft opinion

8. Calls for the EU and the US to agree on a joint framework for digital trade which respects *EU legislation on the protection of personal data*;

Amendment

8. Calls for the EU and the US to agree on a joint framework for digital trade which respects *each side's existing legal frameworks and agreements, and data protection legislation, which is of particular relevance to the services sector; stresses, in this regard, that the EU and the US should work together in order to encourage third countries to adopt similar high data protection standards*;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8

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8. Calls for the EU and the US to agree on a joint framework for digital trade *which respects EU legislation on the protection of personal data*;

Amendment

8. Calls for the EU and the US to agree on a joint framework for digital trade *without prejudice to the EU's data protection and data privacy rules*;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Alessia Maria Mosca, Nicola Danti

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. *Appeals to the EU and the US to scale up cooperation on climate change; Calls the EU and the US to make use of the current and future trade negotiations, at all levels, to ensure the application of internationally agreed standards, such as the Paris Agreement, to promote trade in environmentally sound goods, including technology, as well as to ensure global energy transition, with a clear and coordinated international trade agenda, both to protect the environment and to create opportunities for jobs and growth;*

Or. en

Amendment 46

Bernd Lange

Draft opinion

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. *Believes that a potential new agreement on EU-US trade relations cannot be negotiated under pressure and that only a broad, ambitious and balanced agreement covering all trade areas, such as trade in services and public procurement, but also including binding and enforceable provisions on sustainable development, with reference to the Paris Climate Agreement and core labour standards, would be in the interest of the EU*

Or. en

Amendment 47

Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8a. *Highlights that trade flows increasingly require new, faster, and more secure ways of moving goods and services across borders; calls for the EU and the US, as key trading partners, to collaborate on trade-related digital technology solutions to facilitate trade;*

Or. en

Amendment 48
Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Alessia Maria Mosca, Nicola Danti

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8b. *Recalls the importance of the existing EU-US dialogue and cooperation on Science and Technology; recognizes the role of EU-US endeavours in the field of research and innovation as key drivers of knowledge and economic growth; and supports the continuation and expansion of the EU-US Science and Technology Agreement beyond 2018, with a view to foster research, innovation, new emerging technologies, as well as protection of intellectual property rights, to create more and better jobs, sustainable trade and inclusive growth;*

Or. en

Amendment 49
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

8b. *Calls for the EU and the US to assess in which policy areas, covering market access, regulatory cooperation and rules, both parties can find points of convergence, and where progress is possible negotiations for a trade and investment agreement should re-start; notes, in this regard, that the establishment of a possible specific and permanent regulatory and consultation cooperation mechanism could be advantageous;*

Or. en

Amendment 50
Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 8 c (new)

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Amendment

8c. *Highlights the importance of the US market for the EU SMEs; calls on for the EU and the US to address the disproportionate effect that tariffs, non-tariff barriers and technical barriers to trade have on SMEs on both sides of the Atlantic; covering not only a reduction of tariffs but a simplification of customs procedures and potentially new mechanisms aimed at helping SMEs to exchange experience and best practice buying and selling on the EU and US markets;*

Or. en

Amendment 51
Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

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9. Shares the US concerns regarding global steel overcapacity; is at the same time convinced that unilateral, WTO-incompatible measures will only undermine the integrity of a rules-based trading order; underlines that even a permanent EU exemption from the US tariffs cannot legitimise this course of action;

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9. Shares the US concerns regarding global steel overcapacity; is at the same time convinced that unilateral, WTO-incompatible measures will only undermine the integrity of a rules-based trading order; underlines that even a permanent EU exemption from the US tariffs cannot legitimise this course of action; ***Calls on the Commission to cooperate with the US in strengthening the efforts to fight steel overcapacity within the framework of the G20 Global Forum.***

Or. en

Amendment 52
Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion
Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Shares the US concerns regarding global steel overcapacity; is at the same time convinced that unilateral, WTO-incompatible measures will only undermine the integrity of a rules-based trading order; underlines that even a permanent EU exemption from the US tariffs cannot legitimise this course of action;

Amendment

9. Shares the US concerns regarding global steel overcapacity; is at the same time convinced that unilateral, WTO-incompatible measures will only undermine the integrity of a rules-based trading order; underlines that even a permanent EU exemption from the US tariffs cannot legitimise this course of action; ***reiterates its conviction that joint and concerted actions within the rules-based trading systems are the best way to solve such global problems;***

Or. en

Amendment 53

Maria Arena

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9

Draft opinion

9. Shares the US concerns regarding global steel overcapacity; ***is at the same time convinced that*** unilateral, WTO-incompatible measures will only undermine the integrity of a rules-based trading order; underlines that even a permanent EU exemption from the US tariffs cannot legitimise this course of action;

Amendment

9. Shares the US concerns regarding global steel overcapacity; ***regrets the*** unilateral, WTO-incompatible measures ***taken by the US, which*** will only undermine the integrity of a rules-based trading order; underlines that even a permanent EU exemption from the US tariffs cannot legitimise this course of action;

Or. fr

Amendment 54

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Alessia Maria Mosca, Nicola Danti, David Martin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9a. Reasserts the importance for the EU and the US to address, in a coordinated and constructive manner, the necessary modernisation of the WTO, with a view to make it more effective, transparent and accountable, as well as to ensure that, in the process of elaborating international trade rules and policies, the gender, social, environmental and human rights dimensions are adequately integrated;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

10. Reiterates its support for the *EU's comprehensive strategy that considers all legitimate policy responses to address the threat to the EU economy and the global trading system;*

Amendment

10. *Recalls that the EU stands for an undistorted market economy as well as open values- and rule-based and fair trade; reiterates its support for the Commission strategy in response to the current trade policy of the United States, while complying with the rules of the multilateral trading system; calls for unity among all EU member states in addressing this situation; recalls that under no circumstance will the EU negotiate any sort of trade agreement under threat; reiterates that the EU stands ready to work with the United States on trade related issues of mutual concerns within the rules of the multilateral trading system;*

Or. en

Amendment 56
Jude Kirton-Darling

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10

Draft opinion

10. Reiterates its support for the EU's comprehensive strategy that considers all legitimate policy responses to address the threat to the EU economy and the global trading system;

Amendment

10. Reiterates its support for the EU's comprehensive strategy that considers all legitimate policy responses to address the threat to the EU economy and the global trading system; *stresses the importance of preserving the unity of EU member states in this respect, as joint actions of the EU in the frame of the CCP and the EU customs union at international level, as well as bilaterally with the US, has proven to be far more effective than any initiative undertaken by individual member states;*

Or. en

Amendment 57
Christofer Fjellner

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

10a. Reiterates its support for an ambitious, comprehensive and balanced agreement on trade and investment between the EU and the US; calls on the Commission to resume negotiations with the US under the right circumstances;

Or. en

Amendment 58
Yannick Jadot

Draft opinion
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

10a. Calls on the Commission to abstain from offering the US any kind of TTIP-light negotiations in order to obtain a permanent EU exemption from additional US tariffs;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Marietje Schaake

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11

Draft opinion

Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission to cooperate with the US in strengthening

deleted

*the efforts to fight steel overcapacity
within the framework of the G20 Global
Forum.*

Or. en

Amendment 60
Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11

Draft opinion

11. Calls on the Commission to cooperate with the US in strengthening the efforts to fight steel overcapacity within the framework of the G20 Global Forum.

Amendment

11. Calls on the Commission to cooperate with the US in strengthening the efforts to fight steel overcapacity within the framework of the G20 Global Forum *in order to exploit the huge potential of multilateral action.*

Or. en

Amendment 61
Salvatore Cicu

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Calls for permanent exemption from US tariffs as a precondition for talks leading to more in-depth negotiations on the further dismantling of trade barriers; notes that such an exemption will then facilitate a constructive dialogue between the EU and the US on issues such as energy, cooperation, WTO reform and mutual access to markets and in the field of public procurement, in full compliance with WTO rules; reiterates that the EU should not accept measures or conditions that limit its economic sovereignty and much less negotiate agreements under

pressure.

Or. it

Amendment 62
Bernd Lange, David Martin

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Regrets President Trump's decision to withdraw the US from the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action(JCPOA); supports all EU's efforts aimed at preserving the interests of EU companies investing in Iran notably the Commission's decision to activate the Blocking Statute. Believes that the same statute could be used in the context of sanctions against Russia.

Or. en

Amendment 63
Nadja Hirsch

Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Supports a new attempt to launch a transatlantic agreement between the EU and the US, observing that any agreement must, from the outset, be drawn up in a such a way as to ensure that the process is comprehensible and transparent to the public, focusing on SMEs in particular.

Or. de

Amendment 64

Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Alessia Maria Mosca, Nicola Danti, David Martin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Calls on the EU and the US to reinforce cooperation and efforts to implement and expand due diligence schemes for enterprises to reinforce the protection of Human Rights internationally, including in the area of trade in minerals and metals from conflict-affected areas;

Or. en

Amendment 65

David Martin, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Draft opinion

Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Deplores the US disengagement on the protection of the environment. In this respect, being the US the largest importer of elephant hunting trophies, regrets President Trump's decisions to remove restrictions on imports of such trophies from certain African countries.

Or. en

Amendment 66

Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion

Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Calls for the EU and the US to continue and strengthen the transatlantic parliamentary cooperation, which should lead to an enhanced and broader political framework to improve trade and investment links between the EU and the US;

Or. en

**Amendment 67
Yannick Jadot**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 a (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

11a. Calls on the Commission to make proposals to avoid carbon-leakage due to the US withdrawal from the Paris Agreement on Climate.

Or. en

**Amendment 68
Salvatore Cicu**

**Draft opinion
Paragraph 11 b (new)**

Draft opinion

Amendment

11b. Expresses its concern that the US and China might reach an agreement that is not fully compatible with the WTO, which could also undermine our interests and cast a pall on transatlantic trade relations; stresses, therefore, the need for a more global agreement with our principal trading partners, given our shared interests worldwide.

Or. it