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AMENDMENTS

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Draft opinion
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Implementation of the EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade
Agreement (CETA)
((2023/2001(INI))

Amendment 1
Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas the EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) is one of the most inclusive and sustainable trade deals ever signed;

Amendment

A. whereas the EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) is one of the most inclusive and sustainable trade deals ever signed, ***enabling access to new markets, wider consumer choice and investment opportunities, while at the same time safeguarding high standards in both Canada and the EU, minimising unnecessary barriers to trade while ensuring the right to regulate in the pursuit of legitimate public policy objectives;***

Or. en

Amendment 2
Paolo De Castro, Clara Aguilera, Attila Ara-Kovács, Carmen Avram, Isabel Carvalhais, Camilla Laureti, Juozas Olekas, Daniela Rondinelli, Katarína Roth Neved'alová

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A. whereas the EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) is one of the most inclusive and sustainable trade deals ever signed; ***whereas substantial increase in trade flows and positive trends in cooperation between the two parties have been registered following its entry into application;***

Or. en

Amendment 3
Anja Hazekamp

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas the EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) is one of the most ***inclusive and sustainable*** trade deals ever signed;

Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 4
Gilles Lebreton

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

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Amendment

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Or. fr

Amendment 5
Thomas Waitz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Amendment 6
Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine demonstrated the need to diversify trade agreements, to reduce dependence on imports and exports from a limited number of trade partners and the importance of concluding trade agreements with like-minded partners;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Zbigniew Kuźmiuk

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. Whereas, under the terms of the Agreement, all products and services placed on the EU market must comply with the requirements and standards of the law of the European Union and of the Member State for whose market they are intended;

Or. pl

Amendment 8
Anja Hazekamp

Draft opinion
Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas trade agreements are often unfavourable to farmers and are chiefly used to make it easier and cheaper for businesses to trade, invest and provide services across borders;

Or. nl

Amendment 9

Thomas Waitz

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas the agricultural sector and the trade in agricultural goods are at the same time suffering from and significantly contributing to the climate crisis;

Or. en

Amendment 10

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Recital A a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Aa. whereas a number of Member States have not ratified the Agreement since its entry into application six years ago;

Or. en

Amendment 11

Thomas Waitz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital A b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ab. whereas the EU has an existing surplus of meat and dairy production, and the intensive production in these sectors causes considerable environmental damage;

Or. en

Amendment 12
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Draft opinion
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Or. en

Amendment 13
Gilles Lebreton

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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1. Notes ***with satisfaction the considerable increase in bilateral trade in food and agricultural products between the EU and Canada and the 26 % increase in exports of EU agricultural products to Canada since the start of the provisional application of CETA;***

Amendment

1. Notes ***that since 2016 – the last full year before CETA became applicable – Canada's exports of agri-food and seafood products to the EU have increased by 47.7%^{1 a}***

1 a

<https://agriculture.canada.ca/en/international-trade/market-intelligence/reports/canadas-export-performance-european-union>

Or. fr

**Amendment 14
Anja Hazekamp**

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Or. nl

**Amendment 15
Thomas Waitz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group**

**Draft opinion
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Or. en

Amendment 16

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Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 a (new)

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Amendment

1a. Stresses that, in the implementation of CETA and all other EU trade agreements, due account must be taken of respect for sustainable agricultural production, reciprocity and the maintenance of high production standards, in particular sanitary and phytosanitary standards, as laid down in Union law;

Or. en

Amendment 17

Paolo De Castro, Clara Aguilera, Attila Ara-Kovács, Carmen Avram, Isabel Carvalhais, Camilla Laureti, Juozas Olekas, Daniela Rondinelli, Katarína Roth Neved'alová

Draft opinion

Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Underlines the importance of effective cooperation between the agricultural sectors of the Union and Canada in contributing to the mitigation

of climate change and to environmental protection, including through the exchange of information on innovative farming practices, while limiting the administrative burden on producers;

Or. en

Amendment 18

Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța, Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle

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Paragraph 2

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Or. en

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indications (GIs) as a key component of the agreement; underlines the need for further effective enforcement of GI protection for EU **GI producers** in Canada; ***recalls that a differing level of protection of GI foodstuffs' translated names can arise depending on their process of registration, therefore leading to coexistence of comparable products with a translated name of the GI foodstuff;***

Or. en

Amendment 20

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Or. en

Amendment 21

Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța, Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion

Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2a. Welcomes the commitment made by the Canadian authorities at the 4th meeting of the specialised Committee on

Geographical Indications to provide the European Commission with a list of responsible authorities in Canada for each CETA GI in order to increase clarity for EU GIs holders requests; calls on the Commission to reiterate in the bilateral dialogue with Canada the importance of monitoring the list of grandfathered users of certain names protected under CETA on the market; further calls on the Commission to monitor the progress of the implementation of the grandfathering clause and to report regularly to the European Parliament and the Council on the results;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Zbigniew Kuźmiuk

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Stresses the importance of maintaining adequate controls and monitoring mutual compliance with sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary standards, as well as making further efforts to remove persistent technical and bureaucratic non-tariff barriers;

Or. pl

Amendment 23
Dacian Ciołoş, Alin Mituţa

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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3. Acknowledges that the 18 % increase in EU exports of wine, spirits and

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beer to Canada in 2021 was a positive development for EU producers; stresses that further **work** is needed to ensure that discriminatory **measures** restricting market access for wines and spirits, mainly at the provincial level, are eliminated in Canada;

beer to Canada in 2021 was a positive development for EU producers; ***underlines that EU exports continue to be at a competitive disadvantage compared to domestic suppliers and partly also to importers from third countries***; stresses that further **commitment** is needed ***from the Canadian authorities to adequately regulate and enforce measures*** to ensure that discriminatory **practices** restricting market access for **EU** wines and spirits, mainly at the provincial level, are eliminated in Canada, ***ensuring full compliance with Canada's international obligations and, in particular, to align their approaches with the principle of national treatment***;

Or. en

Amendment 24

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Paragraph 3 a (new)

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Amendment

3a. Calls on the Commission to ensure that, in order to maintain balanced market conditions, Canada does not use measures favouring local producers, such as differential taxes and mark ups, or measures that allow for direct delivery exclusively by local producers;

Or. en

Amendment 25

Daniel Buda

Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Highlights the need to consider whether to add to the list of products with geographical indications, such as Prosecco or Tokaji, to ensure they are properly protected and recognised on both markets.

Or. ro

Amendment 26

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Draft opinion

Paragraph 3 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3b. Underlines the importance of swift amendment of the Annexes to the 2003 Agreement on Trade in Wines and Spirits Drinks to allow for the inclusion of certain GIs from Member States that joined the Union after 2003;

Or. en

Amendment 27

Anja Hazekamp

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

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Amendment

4. Notes with concern that the existing Canadian tariff rate quota (TRQ) management system is undermining the competitiveness of EU dairy producers; urges the Commission to keep up its efforts with the Canadian authorities to increase the transparency of how the operation of its TRQ system is monitored;

deleted

Amendment 28

Thomas Waitz

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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4. Notes ***with concern*** that the existing Canadian tariff rate quota (TRQ) management system is undermining the ***competitiveness of EU*** dairy producers; urges the Commission to keep up its efforts with the Canadian authorities to increase the transparency of how the operation of its TRQ system is monitored;

Amendment

4. Notes that the existing Canadian tariff rate quota (TRQ) management system ***aims to provide fair prices for Canadian dairy producers through market regulation; notes with concern that the lack of cost coverage*** is undermining the ***livelihoods of the Union*** dairy producers; ***notes that, in contrast, milk prices within the EU are often below the production costs, and urges the Commission to examine the Canadian model and to seek stronger market regulation***; urges the Commission to keep up its efforts with the Canadian authorities to increase the transparency of how the operation of its TRQ system is monitored;

Or. en

Amendment 29

Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Notes with concern that the existing Canadian tariff rate quota (TRQ) management system is undermining the competitiveness of EU dairy producers; urges the Commission to keep up its efforts with the Canadian authorities to increase the transparency of how the operation of its TRQ system is monitored;

Amendment

4. Notes with concern that the existing Canadian tariff rate quota (TRQ) management system is undermining the competitiveness of EU dairy producers ***including by hindering access of new entrants through the market-share based allocation***; urges the Commission to keep up its efforts with the Canadian authorities

to increase the transparency of how the operation of its TRQ system is monitored *in particular by gathering official data from the Canadian authorities on the misuse of transfer allocation;*

Or. en

Amendment 30

Clara Aguilera, Cristina Maestre Martín De Almagro

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Notes with regret that the CETA agreement does not apply the regionalisation principle generally, solely considering the EU as a single area with regard to livestock production, but not with regard to the fruit and vegetable sector, which means that each Member State has to individually negotiate and agree on export requirements for each product; calls for this flaw be remedied as soon as possible within the framework of the EU-Canada Joint Management Committee;

Or. es

Amendment 31

José Manuel Fernandes

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Points out that EU trade policy, and CETA in particular, has a significant economic impact on the outermost regions (ORs) and therefore stresses the need to protect those regions' interests in future negotiations or a possible review of the

agreement;

Or. pt

Amendment 32

Paolo De Castro, Clara Aguilera, Attila Ara-Kovács, Carmen Avram, Isabel Carvalhais, Camilla Laureti, Juozas Olekas, Daniela Rondinelli, Katarína Roth Neved'alová

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Welcomes the progress made in eliminating most of the duties in trade of agricultural products between the Union and Canada, as well as the evolution of the use of tariff rate quotas (TRQs);

Or. en

Amendment 33

José Manuel Fernandes

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Maintains that part of the tariffs and tariff rate quotas assigned to EU products should be allocated to operators registered in the ORs, taking account of their economic situation; stresses that differential treatment for operators in the ORs is key to guarantee the competitiveness of businesses and the fair distribution of tariffs and tariff rate quotas among commercial agents by stopping benefits being restricted to a small number of operators;

Or. pt

Amendment 34

Clara Aguilera, Cristina Maestre Martín De Almagro

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Calls on the Commission to promote and support, in the next Management Committee meeting, matters relating to exports in sectors experiencing difficulties, such as the Spanish sheep sector, so that these sectors can access the Canadian market as is already the case for sheepmeat from other EU Member States;

Or. es

Amendment 35

Thomas Waitz

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Welcomes the series of joint initiatives within the framework of the EU-Canada dialogue on sustainability, environmental stewardship and climate action in agriculture; stresses the importance of increased sharing of best practices in the fields of agricultural productivity, carbon sequestration, soil health and protection of natural environments and invites the Commission to pursue these exchanges in the future.

5. Welcomes the series of joint initiatives within the framework of the EU-Canada dialogue on sustainability, environmental stewardship and climate action in agriculture; stresses the importance of increased sharing of best practices in the fields of agricultural productivity, **organic farming, animal welfare**, carbon sequestration, soil health and protection of natural environments and invites the Commission to pursue these exchanges in the future; **calls on the Commission to examine the possibility of updating the dialogue in line with the latest review; calls for the ex-post evaluation of the agreement to also examine the extent to which CETA is compatible with the Farm to Fork Strategy;**

Amendment 36**Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța, Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle****Draft opinion****Paragraph 5***Draft opinion*

5. Welcomes the series of joint initiatives within the framework of the EU-Canada dialogue on sustainability, environmental stewardship and climate action in agriculture; stresses the importance of increased sharing of best practices in the fields of agricultural productivity, carbon sequestration, soil health and protection of natural environments and invites the Commission to pursue these exchanges in the future.

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 37**Anja Hazekamp****Draft opinion****Paragraph 5***Draft opinion*

5. Welcomes the series of joint initiatives within the framework of the EU-Canada dialogue on sustainability, environmental stewardship and climate action in agriculture; stresses the importance of ***increased sharing of best practices*** in the fields of ***agricultural productivity***, carbon sequestration, soil health and protection of natural

Amendment

5. Welcomes the series of joint initiatives within the framework of the EU-Canada dialogue on sustainability, environmental stewardship and climate action in agriculture; stresses the importance of ***binding and enforceable agreements*** in the fields of ***human and animal rights, sustainable agriculture***, carbon sequestration, soil health and

environments and invites the Commission to pursue these exchanges in the future.

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Or. nl

Amendment 38

Thomas Waitz

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Notes with concern that Canada frequently uses pesticides, including neonicotinoides, that have been banned in the EU due to their toxicity and/or impact on pollinators and environment, and that products containing residues thereof could enter the EU despite the ban on their use in the Union; highlights that it is also appropriate for the EU to require, under WTO rules, that imported agricultural products comply with certain production requirements to ensure the effectiveness of EU health protection, animal welfare, environmental and biodiversity protection standards applicable to the Union agricultural products;

Or. en

Amendment 39

Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța, Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Welcomes the initiative of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) to launch a stakeholder

consultation with the aim of developing a sustainable agriculture strategy to improve the sector's long-term environmental performance while supporting farmers' livelihoods; calls on the Commission to strengthen long-term cooperation with the Canadian authorities with the aim of sharing best practices and aligning standards in the deployment of agricultural, climate and environmental policies in line with the EU's sustainability and climate goals;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Both parties should commit to, promote and facilitate reciprocal market access, especially for beef, thus ensuring diversification of the markets and offering alternatives to traditional Asian markets, while simultaneously providing increased opportunities for producers;

Or. ro

Amendment 41
Anja Hazekamp

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Stresses that livelihood security, climate, biodiversity, public health, human and animal rights and regional agriculture should become the basis of trade policy;

Amendment 42

Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța, Irène Tolleret, Jérémy Decerle

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5b. Invites the Commission to pursue an ongoing dialogue on animal welfare within the CETA Regulatory Cooperation Forum (RCF), enabling both parties to exchange knowledge, expertise and best practices; calls on the Commission to facilitate ongoing cooperation with the Canadian authorities and foster a level playing field between the EU and imported animal products;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Daniel Buda

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5b. Given the lack of a specific reference to fruit and vegetables in the current agreement, both parties should treat fruit and vegetables as single entities under the agreement; this will obviate the need for Member States to set individual parameters, hence ensuring a unified approach but without prejudicing quality standards;

Or. ro

Amendment 44

Thomas Waitz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5b. Notes with concern that the Union's imports of fertilizers from Canada have increased by 225% between 2017 and 2022, which is contrary to the EU's goal of achieving autonomy in fertilizing products and improved soil health;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Anja Hazekamp

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5b. Is concerned that trade agreements lead to unfair competition for European farmers;

Or. nl

Amendment 46
Dacian Cioloș, Alin Mituța

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5c. Welcomes the introduction of a harmonised EU export certificate for the export of fresh poultry from authorised Member States, which became operational in 2021, and calls on the Commission to pursue further progress on similar

certificates for processed meat, sheep or goat meat; calls on the Commission, in cooperation with the Canadian authorities and Member States, to make progress in recognising the remaining meat inspection systems in order to allow the remaining Member States to export meat to Canada;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Daniel Buda

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5c. In acknowledging the importance of the precautionary principle as a key mechanism for the European Union, both parties should agree that this principle should not be interpreted as a market-distorting mechanism. Canada and the EU commit to respecting and promoting the precautionary principle in all facets of trade and to ensuring that it is applied in such a way that does not create unjustified trade barriers.

Or. ro

Amendment 48

Thomas Waitz

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Paragraph 5 c (new)

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Amendment

5c. Notes with concern Canada's repeated attempts to undermine the EU's precautionary principle, as seen for example in its contestation before the

WTO, as shown during the fifth meeting of the joint management committee on SPS measures; calls on the Commission to prevent any weakening of this basic principle enshrined in the treaties and protecting European farmers and citizens;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Anja Hazekamp

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5c. Stresses that trade agreements are an obstacle for countries themselves to introduce better legislation for people, animals, nature and the environment, while they must not undermine democracy in any way;

Or. nl

Amendment 50
Daniel Buda

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5d. Highlights the significant increase in bilateral food and agricultural trade between the EU and Canada and stresses that this has brought considerable benefits for producers and exporters on both sides, leading, among other things, to job creation;

Or. ro

Amendment 51
Thomas Waitz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5d. Calls on the parties to ensure better integration of small-scale farmers and consumers in Domestic Advisory Groups in the context of the renewal of these groups;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Thomas Waitz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 e (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5e. Regrets the lack of improvement in the field of animal welfare in the EU, as well as in Canada, and calls on the parties to take decisive steps to overcome these shortcomings; regrets the lack of attention given to safeguards for animal welfare standards in CETA, as well as the lack of mirror clauses in this area, which could lead to an uneven playing field for animal welfare standards, particularly in the light of the upcoming EU animal welfare review;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Thomas Waitz
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 f (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5f. Recalls the 41% increase in greenhouse gas emissions from Canadian agriculture since 1990 and the stagnation of reductions in Union agricultural emissions since 2000; in this context, calls on the Commission to ensure that agriculture and agri-trade contribute to significant reduction in emissions;

Or. en

Amendment 54

Thomas Waitz

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 g (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5g. Notes with concern that the control and traceability system for hormone treated beef holds various flaws and that measures and recommendations resulting from audits have not or not effectively been implemented; urges the Commission to increase efforts with the Canadian authorities towards remedying these shortcomings;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Thomas Waitz

Draft opinion

Paragraph 5 h (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5h. Considering the abovementioned concerns, the 3rd meeting of the Joint Committee in December 2022 and the

Communication “The power of trade partnerships: together for green and just economic growth” call on the Commission to examine flexibilities to upgrade the sustainability provisions of CETA without reopening the Treaty;

Or. en