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Subject: Commercial relations with the United States

Last week the US Department of Commerce announced its decision to triple customs duties on a list of EU products which are subject to additional customs duties in response to the European Union's refusal to import American beef which contains hormones.

The United States has also announced its intention of lodging a complaint against the European Union with the WTO, with a view to securing authorisation to market poultry disinfected with chlorine on the European market.

Could the Commission comment on these moves by the United States?