3rd Meeting of the

EU DAG under the Trade and Cooperation Agreement (TCA) 10 May 2022, 09:00-12:00

Short note after meeting for EU DAG members

Main takeaways of meeting

- 1. The 3rd meeting of the EU DAG set up under the EU-UK TCA was dedicated to the DAG's compilation of TCA related issues and concerns and engaging with DG Trade on the overall state of play of TCA implementation, all in light of the upcoming Trade Specialised Committee meetings later this year. The DAG also welcomed the Chief Trade Enforcement Officer for a first exchange of views and discussed practical aspects of upcoming DAG activities, including the first Civil Society Forum (CSF).
- 2. The list of issues/questions/recommendations to the EU Commission is a living document/work in progress to which DAG members contributed and are invited to continue doing so. Identified issues include [...]. DG Trade, as preparing the second round of meetings of the specialised committees, sought members' proactive involvement and asked them to be as concrete as possible in flagging implementation issues of the TCA, for the Commission to bring them forward with the UK.
- 3. The Chief Trade Enforcement Officer highlighted in particular DG Trade's <u>Single Entry Point</u>, where both the DAG as a whole or individuals can submit cases. Once non-compliance is established, the method of action is selected, ranging from diplomatic action through enforcement action to (under the TCA) unilateral remedial actions or rebalancing measures. He outlined a few concrete examples of non-compliance that were successfully resolved via engagement with the UK Government.
- 4. The Chair informed members on various outreach activities of the Presidency since the previous DAG meeting, including informal talks with DG Trade, but most importantly that the UK-side DAG (UK Domestic Advisory Group) had had its first meeting in April. In light of the upcoming Civil Society Forum, DAG members agreed to propose to the CSF agenda to group topics around three general themes:
 - level playing field
 - sustainability issues
 - other possible topics of common interest