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Joint Statement of the United States — Uruguay Trade and Investment Council

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Washington, D.C. – Today the United States and Uruguay concluded the eighth meeting of the Bilateral Trade and Investment Council. The Trade and Investment Council was established under the 2007 Trade and Investment Framework Agreement between the two countries.

The Uruguay delegation was led by Ambassador Ana Teresa Ayala, General Director for International Economic Affairs of the Ministry for External Relations. The U.S. delegation was led by John Melle, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for the Western Hemisphere.

Officials discussed a broad range of trade and investment issues, and shared perspectives on their respective trade initiatives and possible bilateral opportunities. Key issues included trade facilitation, regulatory barriers to trade, agricultural issues including agricultural biotechnology, investment and trade in services, and intellectual property protection.

The next meeting of the Trade and Investment Council is planned for 2020 in Montevideo.