



# United States and Kenya to Hold Sixth Negotiating Round Under the Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership

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WASHINGTON – The United States and Kenya will hold a sixth in-person negotiating round under the Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership (STIP) in Mombasa, Kenya, from June 3-7. The United States delegation will be led by Assistant U.S. Trade Representative Constance Hamilton and will include representatives from several other U.S. government agencies. The Kenyan delegation will be led by Principal Secretary for Trade Alfred K’Ombudo.

Negotiators last met in person earlier this month in Washington, D.C. and have continued to make progress in deepening mutual understanding and resolving differences. This round of negotiations will primarily cover five topics: (1) agriculture; (2) customs, trade facilitation, and enforcement; (3) environment; (4) good regulatory practices, and (5) workers’ rights and protections.

These meetings will be closed press.

## Background

The United States and Kenya launched the STIP on July 14, 2022, and announced that the two governments would pursue enhanced engagement leading to high standard commitments in a wide range of areas. The goal of the STIP is to increase investment; promote sustainable and inclusive economic growth; benefit workers, consumers, and businesses (including micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises); and support African regional economic integration.

At the conclusion of the fifth round of negotiations in Washington, D.C. earlier this month, United States Trade Representative Katherine Tai and Kenya's Cabinet Secretary for Investment, Trade, and Industry Rebecca Miano renewed their commitment to work to conclude an agreement by the end of the year on a



high standard, ambitious STIP that reflects mutually shared goals and values.

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