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Dear President of the European Commission  
Dear President of the European Council  
Dear Prime Minister,

with reference to today's start of the EU-Canada summit I would like to inform you of the outcome of yesterday's vote on free-trade-agreements in the Austrian Parliament. A resolution on CETA was adopted yesterday evening with a 3/4-majority (MPs of the Greens, the Liberals and the two coalition groups Social Democrats and Conservatives voted in favour), stating that:

- CETA-negotiations need to be continued after the EU-Canada summit
- At the current state there is no need for ISDS-clauses in the proposed trade agreements with Canada and the United States
- CETA is clearly seen as a mixed agreement and the ratification process has to involve all national Parliaments accordingly

I want to draw your attention to the fact that under these circumstances neither the Austrian Parliament will adopt the current CETA-agreement (consolidated CETA-text, version 1, August 2014), nor will the Austrian representative in the European Council agree to it and we therefore kindly ask you to consider the Austrian Parliaments resolution for today's talks at the EU-Canada summit.

Please find the original version of the Austrian Parliament's resolution (in German) attached.

Yours sincerely,



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