

United States and Kenya to Hold Fifth Negotiating Round Under their Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership

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The United States and Kenya will hold a fifth in-person negotiating round under their Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership (STIP) in Washington, D.C., from May 13-17, 2024. 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 in April 2024 in Washington, D.C. and have continued to make progress in deepening mutual understanding and resolving differences. This round of negotiations will primarily cover three of the topics under the STIP: (1) agriculture; (2) workers' rights and protections; and (3) customs and trade facilitation and enforcement.

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 Partnership 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.

In July 2023, U.S. Trade Representative Katherine Tai traveled to Nairobi, Kenya and engaged in productive discussions with President William Ruto, senior Kenyan officials, and stakeholders on the continued momentum of ongoing negotiations.