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

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WASHINGTON – The United States and Kenya will hold a seventh negotiating round under the Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership (STIP) in Nairobi, Kenya from August 5-9, 2024. The U.S. delegation will be led by Assistant U.S. Trade Representative Constance Hamilton. The Kenyan delegation will be led by Principal Secretary for Trade Alfred K’Ombudo.

Negotiators last met in June in Mombasa, Kenya and have continued to make progress in deepening mutual understanding and resolving differences. This round of negotiations will primarily cover six topics: (1) agriculture; (2) customs, trade facilitation, and enforcement; (3) environment; (4) good regulatory practices, (5) inclusivity; and (6) workers’ rights and protections.

Assistant U.S. Trade Representative Constance Hamilton and Kenya’s Principal Secretary for Trade Alfred K’Ombudo will co-chair a stakeholder listening session during the round.

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 that reflect mutually shared goals and values 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.