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Gilles Briatta is First Secretary for Trade at the Delegation of the Commission of the European Communities. Before being appointed at the EC Delegation, he had worked for the French Government for seven years of which four years had been with the Economic Directorate at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In that Directorate, Mr. Briatta was in charge of several aspects of the EC Internal Market (environment, Research & Development, transportation, telecommunications). In 1990, he transferred to the Trade Section of the Economic Directorate, where he was in charge of EC-US and EC-Japan trade negotiations. He represented the French Foreign Ministry in meetings devoted to these questions, both in Paris and in Brussels (113 Committee). He participated in various conferences on the subject, including the 1991 Ditchley Conference on the Uruguay Round (in the UK) and the 1991 Aspen Conference on EC-Japan relations (in France).

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