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BAB Welcomes Fourth Session of the UK-US Trade and Investment Working Group and Second SME Dialogue held in London

**London** – BritishAmerican Business (BAB) welcomes the joint release by the Secretary of State for International Trade and President of the Board of Trade, The Rt Hon Dr Liam Fox MP, and the US Trade Representative, Robert Lighthizer, after the fourth session of the UK-US Trade and Investment Working Group, and the second meeting of the US-UK Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SME) dialogue that took place in London last week.

## **BritishAmerican Business CEO, Duncan Edwards:**

"The fourth meeting, the size of the delegations, and the progress in talks, ahead of the visit of the US President, continue to be evidence of sustained momentum by both sides to explore a wide range of areas where the UK and US could have deeper economic integration.

Exploring future potential of collaboration is welcome and important, no matter what the scope for a US-UK future trade agreement will be. We are particularly pleased by the progress made during the second meeting of the SME Dialogue that BAB was proud to support in London.

We applaud both Governments' commitment to providing resources to assist SMEs with greater access to finance and business support that will spur growth, jobs and make it easier for business owners to turn their ambition into reality.

BritishAmerican Business fully supports the Working Group objective of bringing our nations closer together, by focusing on strengthening trade and investment ties. We, as a transatlantic business community, stand ready to support the US and UK Governments in this important process for the mutual benefit of both countries."

## **About BritishAmerican Business**

BritishAmerican Business (BAB) is an exclusive members' organization; we create networking opportunities for our members, which often lead to business opportunities, through the events and programming that we run. As a policy and advocacy organization we are the voice of transatlantic business; we support policies and action that will protect and enhance the environment for trade and investment between the US and UK.

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