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EU List of AML-Deficient Jurisdictions Includes U.S. Territories

The European Commission today issued its own list of 23 jurisdictions today that it said have "strategic deficiencies" in their anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing frameworks. The list -- developed separately from the list of 12 countries maintained by the international Financial Action Task Force, which is the globally recognized body for assessing AML/CFT standards -- includes four U.S. territories: American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. [Read More](#)

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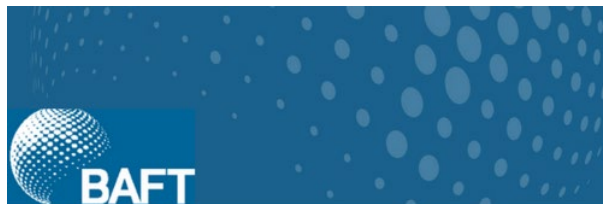
The Americas

U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES: November exports were \$209.9 billion, \$1.3 billion less than October exports. November imports were \$259.2 billion, \$7.7 billion less than October imports. | [Read More](#)

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