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The negotiations of the EU-China Comprehensive Agreement on Investment were concluded in a call between the Commission, represented by the President of the Commission, and China, represented by the President of the People's Republic of China. This was done on the basis of the institutional role reserved for the Commission in the EU Treaties as the negotiator of the Agreement.

The conclusion of the negotiations was preceded by a political call, organised by the European Council, which involved the Chinese President and the President of the Commission, the President of the European Council and the Chancellor of Germany on behalf of the Presidency of the Council of the EU, as well as the President of France.

The Agreement was negotiated with due regard to the interests of all Member States. Throughout the negotiations, the Commission consults all Member States, on an equal footing, in the special committee designated by the Council, where all Member States are represented.