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HAPPY FRIDAY!

The **Trump / Kim summit** didn't achieve anything, but at least the truce in the China / US trade war has been extended indefinitely.

The EU's DAT is DOA: first it was too wide, now it's too narrow!

A The European Court of Justice (in a Grand Chamber of 13 judges!) decides 2 cases which confirm the existence of an unwritten EU anti-abuse rule, an Indian tribunal applies ejusdem generis in an unusual way, and a recent Italian Supreme Court decision illustrates an advantage of civil law jurisdictions (no binding precedents!)

Angola gives us SLIM VAT, Mexico brings some common sense to the "Art. 7 vs. Art. 21" tension, and Barcelona FC and Real Madrid finally play on the same side – and kick the European Commission off the park!

Have a great weekend!

Steve

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 - ECJ, EGC, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Sweden
- 4. Africa
 - Angola, Benin, Tunisia
- 5. Americas
 - Brazil, Mexico
- 6. Treaties
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WORTH READING

Brian Arnold, "Restrictions on Interest Deductions and Tax Treaties"
Bulletin for International Taxation IBFD 2019 (Volume 73) (subscription service)

Marton Varju, "The Right to VAT Deduction and the ECJ: Towards Neutral and Efficient Taxation in the Single Market?" Intertax Kluwer Volume 47 (2019), Issue 3 (subscription service)

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