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Subject: RE: COCERAL - Request for a meeting to discuss facilitation of export of grains from Ukraine

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your message and I would be pleased to have a meeting with you. I propose that our colleagues choose an appropriate date.

Best

Wolfgang Burtscher

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Subject: TR: COCERAL - Request for a meeting to discuss facilitation of export of grains from Ukraine

Dear Mr Burtscher,

COCERAL members are unfortunately still facing the same difficulties while exporting from Ukraine as discussed by phone a few weeks ago, and they are now extremely worried that it will not be possible to export the grains that are currently in stock in Ukraine. They are also concerned about the medium-term impact of the war, and for that reason, I have reached out to Commissioner Wojciechowski (and Commissioner Dombrovskis) with a request for a meeting.

Would it be possible to also have a meeting with you with the same group of COCERAL members to discuss the situation directly with you as well?

Thank you very much in advance for your attention.

Best regards,

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Objet: COCERAL request for a meeting to discuss facilitation of export of grains from Ukraine

Dear Commissioner Wojciechowski,

The members of COCERAL, the European association representing trade of agricultural raw materials and ingredients – namely cereals, rice, feedstuffs, oilseeds, olive oil, oils and fats – are extremely concerned about the impact that the Russian invasion of Ukraine is going to have in the short and medium term on the availability of agricultural products in several countries.

We are very grateful for the time and energy dedicated by many Commission services across several Directorate Generals to finding solutions aiming at facilitating exports of agri products from Ukraine, but unfortunately, for a variety of reasons, the measures adopted so far are not yielding significant results.

For that reason, senior leaders of companies members of COCERAL – some with EMEA responsibilities, others with a global remit, but all of whom are active in the Black Sea region – wish to have the opportunity to meet with you in the next few weeks to share their concerns, but also the experience that their teams are reporting from the ground, and explore how the situation could be addressed in a more optimal manner, so as to increase exports from Ukraine. Their concerns are related to Ukraine's export potential during the duration of the war, but also to the need to ensure farmers be able to continue growing crops next year, despite the extreme conditions in which they find themselves.

It would also be very enlightening to have your own perspective on the role that agri trade – and COCERAL's members – should play in ensuring food security in this context.

Our delegation will be made of 4-5 representatives from large and medium-sized companies, and we would very much appreciate if you are available to meet with us in the next two weeks. For your information, I am also reaching out to Commissioner Dombrovskis with the same request.

I will take the liberty to contact your office in the next few days to enquire about your availability. In the meantime, I remain

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]



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