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Dear [REDACTED]

On behalf of Commissioner Thierry Breton I would like to thank you for your proposition to join you as a speaker during Booking.com/Politico event on Tourism Transition.

I regret to inform you that his agenda until summer will unfortunately not allow to organise the proposed moderated joint interview.

Thank you for your understanding and wishing you a very successful event.

Best regards,

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Dear Commissioner, dear Thierry,

It has been a while since I was last in touch - I hope you are well. Congratulations on bringing the DMA and DSA across the finishing line.

As you may know, my team is organizing a half-day event together with Politico EU devoted to the tourism transition pathway. As part of that, we have extended an invitation to you to join us as a speaker in a moderated discussion/joint interview with me.

I know this is a topic you are deeply committed to - as am I. I strongly believe that the green and digital transformation of the sector is key to maintaining Europe's tourism ecosystem as an engine of growth and employment in times of geopolitical uncertainty. Europe's tourism sector does not only need to become greener and more digital, but also more resilient. As a global online travel platform, I recognize our responsibility to support and contribute to this transition.

I would be delighted to have the opportunity to exchange views with you in person on how Europe can lead in the twin transition and maintain a competitive and resilient tourism sector; what the challenges, trends and opportunities are just as the summer period is approaching; and how government institutions and businesses can work together to address challenges and facilitate the sector's transformation.

The event will be held in person, in Brussels, on Tuesday 28 June, in the afternoon. Should another date be more convenient for you, we have some flexibility to accommodate your agenda.

I sincerely hope you will accept my invitation. If so, my team will be pleased to follow up with your cabinet on the details and any other question you may have.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Kind regards,

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President

