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Subject: Summary VP call with BusinessEurope 6 May 2020

Dear colleagues,

The VP had a phone call with [REDACTED] Business Europe, this afternoon.  
They discussed the following points:

- The VP explained that we would plan the extension of public consultations as soon as the new Commission Work Programme was published. Depending on the planned adoption date, we would extend consultations by a few weeks where possible.
- On easing reporting obligations, the VP explained that Eurostat had drawn up a prioritization list of statistics that are crucial for developing an adequate response to the economic and social shocks. National statistical authorities have started easing reporting obligations and deadlines as much as possible within the legal framework. He promised [REDACTED] to send more information on that.
- The VP announced the publication of the call of expressions of interest for the Fit-for-future Platform next week. He invited BusinessEurope to apply again, as they had been an appreciated member of the REFIT Platform. [REDACTED] promised to welcome this development warmly in public.
- [REDACTED] mentioned that he had been in touch with the Timmermans on the Green Deal impact assessments. He urged that those impact assessments have to take into account the effects of the coronacrisis (which the RSB has already said, too). We can expect receiving a letter on that.

Enjoy the sunshine everyone!

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