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Valdis Dombrovskis
Executive Vice President of the European Commission
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Request for a short meeting in the margins of the WEF Annual Meeting in Davos

Dear Executive Vice President Dombrovskis,

I am writing to request a brief meeting in the margins of the World Economic Forum taking place from 23-25 May in Davos. The meeting would enable us to exchange views about policies and strategic decisions to be made in the context of new geopolitical developments.

Merck, as a global science and technology company with a strong home footprint in Europe and more than 60,000 employees is contributing manifold to finding solutions in our Life Science, Healthcare and Electronics brands.

I would like to thank you and your services for acting decisively and prudently from the beginning – first during the outbreak of the pandemic, and these days acting on the terrible aggression of Russia. The pressure on you and our industry regarding the continued use of energy imports from Russia and medicine exports there is enormous – to name one example.

I would welcome the chance to informally exchange views about possible actions at EU- and international-level and how Merck could make valuable contributions.

My office (Art.4(1)(b) @merckgroup.com) is available to agree upon a short meeting following your suggestion.

I am looking very much forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

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