STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE FROM COMMISSIONER MALMSTRÖM OF NON-CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH A VIEW TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JAN ERIC FRYDMAN AS A SPECIAL ADVISER TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

This form offers two alternatives: please complete EITHER Option A OR Option B and delete the one that does not apply.

A/ I, the undersigned, [President/Member of the Commission or Chef de cabinet], hereby confirm that, on the basis of the declaration of activities and the sworn statement declaring that there is no conflict of interest presented by [Mr/Ms name of Special Adviser], and with regard to the tasks he/she will perform, there is no conflict of interest between his/her future duties as special adviser and his/her outside activities.

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B/ I, the undersigned, Maria ÅSENJUS Head of Cabinet, hereby declare that, notwithstanding the declaration of activities and the sworn statement declaring that there is no conflict of interest presented by Mr Jan Erik FRYDMAN, there may be a potential risk for the Commission’s good name resulting from his activities as a partner of Ekenberg and Andersson.

However, Commissioner Malmström is willing to accept this potential risk and also considers it to be acceptable for the Commission as a whole. She therefore wishes to proceed with the offer of a contract to Mr Jan Erik FRYDMAN.

Please give any information regarding possibilities for Commissioner Malmström of reducing this risk of potential conflict of interest, whether real or apparent:
Mr FRYDMAN shall refrain from any activity of lobbying or advocacy with the services of the Commission he is directly or indirectly in contact with whenever a link or the appearance of a link arises with his activities as a partner of Ekenberg and Andersson. He shall also refrain from having any direct or indirect professional contacts with his previous colleagues in DG GROW.

Please date and sign your declaration:

Brussels, 17 March 2016

[Signature]

Maria ÅSENius, Head of Cabinet