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Subject: RE: Invitation – 2020 Transatlantic Security Jam: Securing the Post-COVID Future – 12-14 May Online
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Our internal references to your request: Ares(2019) 2400770

On behalf of Commissioner Olivér Várhelyi

Dear [REDACTED],
On behalf of [REDACTED], Member in the Cabinet of Commissioner Várhelyi, we would like to thank you for kind invitation to our Commissioner Mr Olivér Várhelyi.
As we have been referring to his secretariat who informed us that the Commissioner has already a full agenda and internal meetings that cannot be postponed, we would like therefore to apologize as the Commissioner will not be able to accept your request.
Commissioner Várhelyi has asked us to convey his best wishes for the success of your very interesting event.
Thank you for your understanding and wishing you a nice day.
With kind regards,

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From: Friends of Europe
Sent: Wednesday, May 6, 2020 2:59 PM
To: CAB VARHELYI CONTACT
Subject: Invitation – 2020 Transatlantic Security Jam: Securing the Post-COVID Future – 12-14 May Online

Dear [REDACTED],

I am writing to invite you to take part in our upcoming 2020 Transatlantic Security Jam: Securing the Post-COVID Future. The jam will be held online from Tuesday 12 March 15:00 CET to Thursday 14 March 17:00 CET.

The Transatlantic Security Jam is a unique global online brainstorm organised by IBM in collaboration with Friends of Europe and other international thinktanks. It allows several thousand participants to discuss issues in real time on an IBM online platform, from anywhere in the world, 24 hours a day. VIP contributors, similar to speakers at a real-world conference, come online at regular intervals to share their perspective with jammers and sound out this global community on specific issues. This year's Transatlantic Security Jam focuses on the overarching topic of "Securing the Post-COVID Future".

Friends of Europe will host a forum on the topic of "Cooperation and Autonomy: The global role of the EU post COVID-19". Confirmed VIP contributors to our forum include: Radmila Shekerinska Jankovska, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence of the Republic of North Macedonia, Raimundas Karoblis, Minister of Defence of Lithuania, Izumi Nakamitsu, UN Under Secretary General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, and [REDACTED], Director of the Istituto Affari Internazionali and former Special Adviser to EU HRVP Mogherini, among others.

Other forums, hosted by partner thinktanks, include: "Competition for Influence: In a world transformed by COVID-19", "NATO Mission and Core Tasks in Action: Resilience, readiness and responsiveness", "Transatlantic Security, NATO-EU Relations: Challenges and collaboration", "Technological and Industrial Edge: Bringing technological and industrial cooperation to bear", and "COVID-19 Relations with China: Implications for NATO and the EU".

You don't need anything more than a computer, tablet or smartphone to be engaged in the conversation so we are looking forward to seeing you online. We would be honoured if you would accept this invitation to join our global network and to actively engage and share your expertise within our forum.

You can find more information about the Security Jam and the Friends of Europe forum [here](#)

The 2020 Transatlantic Jam will feed into a report summarising the attitudes, perceptions and innovative ideas of our jammers on how to secure the Post-COVID future. The Jam's top recommendations and its in-depth report will be distributed to leaders around the globe.

+ [Register here to participate in the Security Jam](#)

. I very much hope that you will become a participant and look forward to engaging with you. I remain at your disposal should you require any additional information.

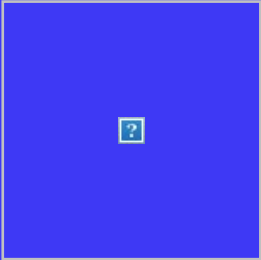
Kind regards,


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