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**Subject: Meeting on the Lyon –Turin project of 11 February 2020 in Brussels**

Dear 

We would like to thank you for the constructive meeting that we had on 11 February with you, the French authorities and representatives of TELT. Please find below our conclusions of this meeting.

- The Lyon-Turin project is one of the major TEN-T projects both on the TEN-T network and on the Mediterranean Corridor. It is an essential project for the EU transport infrastructure policy and in the context of the European Green Deal as it will contribute to significantly shifting goods from road to rail.
- We agreed to extend the duration of the Grant Agreement as requested and according to the agreed extension policy (max 24+12 months). An amended grant agreement expiring on 31 December 2022 with the same amount as the current one will soon be drafted by INEA.
- We made clear that activities kept under the revised Grant Agreement will not be eligible under calls launched in the next multi-annual framework (MFF 2021-2027). This will be specified in the amended grant agreement
- We based our assessment on the elements provided by TELT in terms of planning. This planning includes safety margins and seems reasonable.
- The work carried out by INEA identifies however critical steps and the main risks for delay of the planning are concentrated in the next 12 months. It is crucial in particular that during this period, the tendering procedures of the main works are concluded.

- INEA will therefore continue to closely monitor the progress achieved by the project.

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Yours sincerely,

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