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Dear ,		
Thank you so much for this feed	back from your talks with CIP/COP.	
to finance under the Recovery a you are informed about the activ	up to you to decide for the Greek Government what project nd Resilience Facility. I think, however, that it is useful that vities of CIP/COP, who could be a major player in Greeks h is of the utmost attention and priority to both Greece,	
I should be happy to come back to you at a later stage to discuss, among other things, the other EU instruments that could be used for financing of the off shore wind projects that CIP/COP can deliver. As I have indicated in my email to Declan, I have a very good impression of CIP/COP as a substantial and well run business partner for huge visionary energy projects.		
Best regards		
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Dear ,		

This is to debrief you that we had a call with representatives of CIP/COP last week. The plans they have presented us sounded interesting and could represent major investment projects for the coming years. They also look promising in that they correspond to investments in renewable energy which is in line with green transition, one of the Commission's main priorities for the coming years. Such investments are of course also needed for Greece to reach its energy target set for 2030 and possibly further out.

CIP/COP representatives have asked us whether the Commission could support these projects under the Recovery and Resilience Facility. On this, it is obviously not for the Commission to decide which specific investors and projects the Greek government should conclude contracts with. What we can say is that such projects, and especially infrastructure investments as opposed to price subsidies, appear to be eligible for RRF financing. We have also noted that, given the relatively long time horizon of these projects, some other EU instruments may eventually be better suited for the Greek authorities to fund such projects.

I hope you will find this debrief helpful and please do not hesitate to reach out in case of further questions.

Best regards,

European Commission, Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, Unit F2: Greece

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Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:47 PM

To: Cc:

Subject: RE: Greetings from Athens - and a good project.

Dear ,	
Nice to hear from you again.	
I am no longer dealing with Greece on a day-to-day basis and thus am not best plac	ed to talk to
Currently the Greek team in DG ECFIN is being lead by on colleagues based in Athens (also on copy).	orted by
We are currently in discussions with the Greek authorities on the possible use of the available under the Recovery and Resilience Facility, which is strongly targeted at the transition. The team will be in touch with to arrange a call in the new Please note, however, the selection of projects is primarily a decision for the Greek and the Commission services remain neutral in this regard provided the projects regularements of EU rules. We are nonetheless interested in hearing from prospective in Greece and providing guidance where possible.	ne green ear future. authorities spect the
It is a particularly busy juncture right now, it may take a few days to arrange.	
Regards	

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To: COSTELLO Declan (ECFIN) < Declan.Costello@ec.europa.eu>

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Subject: Greetings from Athens - and a good project.

Dear Declan,

I hope everything is fine where you are – in these difficult times.

You might remember me from our discussions about the Greek claw-back practice some two years ago. The ND Government seems to have a will to solve the problem so hopefully things move forward.

I am writing to you about another matter.

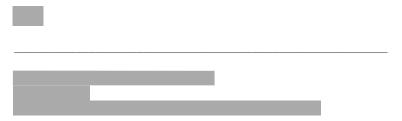
The Danish Company Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners in collaboration with Copenhagen Offshore Partners (together called CIP/COP) is one of the greatest players in the world on off shore wind projects, and they are keen to develop investment in a EUR 1 bn. project in Greece in collaboration with a local partner.

CIP/COP has already had meetings with Greek ministers and other Government officials (I have been present in one of them) and there is a huge interest in CIP/COP's project across the board. This is not least because such a project plays perfectly well into Greece's ambitions regarding rebuilding the economy after Covid-19 and the wish to fulfil EU's CO2 emission targets. Thus, it also fits very well with the objectives regarding use of the Recovery Fund.

I therefore hope that you could take time to talk to	, cc above
	based in
Copenhagen.	

The project is exactly of the kind that I am sure the Commission would like to see financed with the participation of the Recovery Fund – and I have to say that I am personally very impressed with the professionalism of CIP/COP.

All best



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