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Dear Ms SAASTAMOINEN,

Please find enclosed the DAV Position Paper No. 14/2021 by the DAV Committee on Corporate Social Responsibility and Compliance and the DAV Committee on Commercial Law with regard to the public consultation of the European Commission on sustainable corporate governance.

The DAV welcomes the intention of the European Commission to regulate due diligence obligations in the supply chain. A harmonised legal framework is preferable to market fragmentation and ensuing problems due to various and possibly conflicting national laws. However, a differentiated and staggered approach is required which takes into account the reality of situation in a given country. The sanctions regime must equally be based on such a differentiated approach. The DAV considers it also important that any planned legislative act of the European Commission recognises and takes account of the special role of lawyers and law firms. The personal scope of the planned legislative proposal should include an explicit exception for the legal profession on the basis of its professional secrecy obligations.

For further details, I refer to the attached Position Paper.

Sincerely yours,

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