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Dear Mr Agotha,

We know each other from our time working together for the previous Commission. At that time, I was spokesperson for economic and regional policy. Today I am writing to you in my new capacity as Secretary General of the [Assembly of European Regions](#).

I am writing on behalf of our President, Magnus Berntsson, to request a meeting with Executive Vice-President Frans Timmermans to discuss the green transition at regional level. Mr Berntsson is also Minister for the Environment in his home region of Västra Götaland, Sweden.

Representing the largest independent political platform for regions in- and outside the EU, our President, and Vice President, Albert Castellanos, would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with Executive Vice-President Timmermans and discuss some important issues under consideration in the Fit-for-55 proposals on climate, energy and transport, the Social Climate Fund and the REPower EU plan.

We would be pleased to introduce Executive Vice-President Timmermans to our Positions on Climate and Sustainable Mobility and have an exchange on concrete measures to strengthen the contribution that regional authorities can make to accelerating climate action and building Europe's energy security, independence, and sustainability.

President Berntsson may be coming to Brussels again in the end of April or in the first half of May. We would be very grateful if Executive Vice-President Timmermans could agree to meet with AER. Obviously, an online meeting is possible, too. Would Executive Vice-President Timmermans be available for a time slot around those dates?

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to hearing from you on a convenient time to meet.

I wish you a good Easter holiday. Best regards,

**Christian Spahr**

Secretary General

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