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Dear Vice-President, slean M. Seferie /

I am writing to you in view of the upcoming United Nations (UN) climate change conference COP20 in Lima starting on 1 December 2014.

European companies are strongly calling for successful rounds of negotiations, leading to a climate deal next year in Paris. Such an agreement will have to enable a global level playing field for European industry.

COP20 is a decisive step and the Lima negotiations should clarify the scope and form of national pledges needed to adopt a comprehensive international climate change agreement in Paris in 2015. In Lima, governments urgently need to find sufficient political will to resolve the highly complex, but not insurmountable issues.

Business is a significant part of the solution to addressing the impacts of climate change. European companies are taking actions to deliver their share and to bring innovative technologies to market. An effective private sector engagement in decision-making and implementation of the United Nations Framework Convention in Climate Change (UNFCCC) must be secured.

I am pleased to attach BUSINESSEUROPE's position paper on international climate negotiations in view of COP20 in Lima and I look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours sincerely,

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Cc: Mr Nociar (Head of Cabinet), Mr Biervert (Deputy Head of Cabinet)