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Your Excellency,

Under the auspices of H.E Alexis Tsipras, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic, the Trans Adriatic Pipeline (TAP) will host an Inauguration Ceremony to mark the start of construction on 17th May 2016 in Thessaloniki, Greece.

This event marks the official start of the construction phase for TAP as the European segment of the 3,500 kilometre long Southern Gas Corridor and paves the way for natural gas supplies from the giant Shah Deniz field to reach European markets.

We are delighted to invite you to join us at this important and historic occasion, alongside senior political leaders from the Southern Gas Corridor countries and other key international stakeholders, as well as the CEOs of TAP shareholders Axpo, BP, Enagás, Fluxys, Snam and SOCAR.

The event will take place at the MET Hotel in Thessaloniki and is planned to start at 15:00 (local time). Following a few short speeches at the MET Hotel you will be invited to a signing ceremony at TAP's pipe-yard inside the Port of Thessaloniki, located opposite the MET hotel where the Heads of Delegation will sign a segment of the TAP pipeline including a photo opportunity.

After the signing ceremony at TAP's pipe-yard, the event will continue at the MET Hotel's "Maistros" Hall. It is anticipated that the formal event will be concluded by 17:00 (local time).

We will be providing your respective protocol services (secretariats and cabinets) with all necessary details and information within the next week containing a practical guide, which will include the event flow and agenda, availability of meeting rooms, delegation size, transport arrangements, hotel room booking, etc.

For any immediate queries please do contact my colleague Mr. [REDACTED], Public Affairs Director: [REDACTED]@tap-ag.com and phone: +41 41 [REDACTED]

I very much hope that you will take the time to join us for this important ceremony and look forward to receiving your confirmation by Friday 22nd of April 2016.

Yours Faithfully,



Ian Bradshaw
TAP Managing Director