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Dear Jorge,

As you know from previous contacts between Saab and your Office, we are with great interest following the ongoing institutional decision-making process regarding the legislative and policy initiatives at EU level in the field of defence and security. We do this actively, partly in our own capacity, partly through the Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Europe (ASD).

This year, ASD will convene its first Board and General Assembly in Stockholm on 17-18 May. During those two days, Presidents and CEOs as well as other top management members of European defence industries, as well as representatives of national defence industry associations, including representatives for SMEs and Mid-Caps, will gather to discuss and decide on important issues and priorities for the industry.

In my capacity as Vice-Chairman of ASD, Saab is organising and hosting the Convention in Stockholm. The main event of the Programme will be a high-level seminar between 16:00 and 19:00 on 17 May. The theme for the Seminar will be "Innovative Smartness. Matching Europe's Defence Capability Needs Together". A number of distinguished guests have been invited to speak about their views on the present security and defence environment in and around Europe. Geopolitical, economic and industrial developments at Global, EU and national level will also be addressed in this context. Following the seminar, a dinner will be served on board of the Theatre Ship ("Teaterskeppet"), while it is making a tour in the archipelago of Stockholm, arriving back to Stockholm City at 22:30.

In your capacity as Chief Executive of EDA, I believe your participation and contribution to the seminar would be very important and most appreciated.

In light of this, it is my hope that you will be able to accept this invitation, in which case my representatives in Brussels will follow up with your Office in the near future regarding your participation.

I am looking forward to your response.

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