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Subject: Your application for access to documents 2022/6043

Dear Mr Youriev.

We refer to your request for access to European Commission documents registered on 24.10.2022 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to

All documentation, including, but not limited to, attendance lists, agendas, background papers, minutes/notes and email correspondence about or summarising, the following meetings of Commissioner Frans Timmermans and DG CLIMA and their cabinet with multiple organisations.

- 1) Meeting with Association des Constructeurs Européens d'Automobiles (ACEA) on 19/09/2022 about CO2 standards for trucks.
- 2) Meeting with Stellantis on 26/09/2022 about the Shift to Electric Mobility.
- 3) Meeting with Daimler Truck AG (DT AG) on 12/10/2022 about getting zero emission trucks on the roads.
- 4) Meeting with Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft (VOLKSWAGEN AG) on 26/09/2022 on the transition to green mobility.

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Your application concerns the following documents:

	Title	Date	Reference
1	Invitation to Mr Timmermans to participate in 'Getting Zero-Emission Trucks on the Road' debate_redacted	18.10.2022	Ares(2022)6464027
2	Invitation Panelist 12. October - Zero emission trucks and buses_redacted	16.09.2022	Ares(2022)6408323
3	Follow-up meeting with Stellantis on €7_redacted	16.10.2022	Ares(2022)6386354
4	Mission_report_Czechia_Sep_2022_redacted	06.12.2022	Ares(2022)8453825

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Yours faithfully,

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