From: (CAB-TIMMERMANS) To: @ffexpack europe org" Subject: RE: Flexible Packaging Europe - meeting to discuss Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive. Date: jeudi 29 septembre 2022 17:36:00 Attachments: image001.jpg image003.gif Dear Thank you for your e-mail, We would be pleased to propose you a video-call with on 11 October at 15:00. Would it be that also suitable on your side? Kind regards, **Executive Vice-President Frans Timmermans** European Green Deal

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Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 11:59 AM

To: (CAB-TIMMERMANS) @ec.europa.eu>

Subject: Flexible Packaging Europe - meeting to discuss Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive

Dear

@ec europa eu

European Commission

I am writing on behalf of Flexible Packaging Europe (FPE), a pan-European trade association which represents manufacturers of flexible packaging from all materials to kindly request a meeting. Flexible packaging packs around 50% of all food products in the EU and we also supply the cosmetics and pharma industry.

The Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive is the key piece of legislation which will influence how we design packaging. As flexible packaging is a high-tech product, we have serious investments lined up and EU legislation can help us

deliver a pack which is recyclable, uses very little resources and offers optimum protection to the product in contains. This is already part of our vision, but we also have a set of concrete recommendations to ensure that the PPWD delivers this. We believe the inter-service consultation is a great occasion to maintain the high environmental ambition without untended effects on supply chains which depend on flexible packaging.

We would therefore like to elaborate on this in a meeting with our Executive Director who will convey our understanding of the PPWD. We need to ensure that the definition of recyclable packaging works for all formats and recycled content targets do not conflict with product requirements, especially food safety. Flexible packaging can achieve significant progress on both fronts, but blanket requirements risk phasing out packaging which is already recyclable, or which will be recyclable by 2030. Meanwhile, we worry that factors out of our control with regards to recyclates quality and quantity may lead to a ban on most plastic food packaging in 2030 — this would be the case if recycled plastic content targets are made an essential requirement.

The meeting would take place at your earliest convenience, so please feel free to come back to us with some dates and timeslot which work best for a short meeting.

Kind Regards,

