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Subject: UPDATE – Suppression of the technical meeting on the draft supplementary information sheets to notify aid under the Guidelines on regional state aid for 2014-2020 (HT.4129)

Dear Sirs,

By letter of 21 January 2014 your authorities have been invited to a technical meeting with the services of DG Competition to discuss the draft supplementary information

sheets¹ for notification of aid under the Guidelines on regional state aid for 2014-2020 ("the RAG").

This meeting was supposed to take place in Brussels on 12 February 2014 – back-to-back with the Multilateral meeting on State aid and Transport Infrastructure. I now regret to inform you that the Multilateral meeting on State aid and Transport Infrastructure will be postponed to a later date that will be communicated to you in due time.

As a result, and in order to reduce the travelling burden on your authorities, it was decided to suppress the meeting on RAG supplementary information sheets. As an alternative, I would propose that your authorities provide their comments on the draft RAG supplementary information sheets – that will be sent to you in the coming days – in writing by the end of February 2014. Based on the replies received from your authorities the services of DG Competition will then decide if it is necessary to schedule a multilateral technical meeting on the RAG supplementary information sheets at a later date.

At a later stage, the new supplementary information sheets for regional aid will be formally adopted as part of a more comprehensive review of all supplementary information sheets currently annexed to the Implementing Regulation. It goes without saying that Member States will be consulted in due time on the Commission's proposal to modify the Implementing Regulation.

Should you have questions on the above, please submit them to comp-rag-revision@ec.europa.eu.

Yours faithfully,



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¹ The current RAG supplementary information sheets are the supplementary information sheets III.4 and III.5 in Annex 1 of the Implementing Regulation (EC) No 794/2004 of 21 April 2004, as modified.