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Subject: report of the meeting w/ACEA, 3 November 2015

On 3 November 2015 DG GROW (L. Evans, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]) met with E. Jonnaert, Secretary General of the European Automobile Manufacturers Association (ACEA). The following topics were discussed:

VW scandal/RDE testing: ACEA stated that the defeat device revelations were shocking for ACEA and its Members. On the issue of recently discovered by the US EPA of software in larger engines of other brands (Audi, Porsche), it is ACEA's understanding that the software is not a defeat device as in the VW models. Lowri asked ACEA to provide us information on this issue, as well as results of the investigation on defeat devices as they become available. On RDE, Lowri explained the next procedural steps in the recently voted proposal on conformity factors. In ACEA's assessment, the new RDE testing would have an impact on 25-50% of diesel fleet in the EU. Lowri asked for a more detailed data on the expected impact, also in terms of interplay with CO2 emissions.

ACEA enquired about the timing of revision of Type Approval framework. Lowri informed them that we are currently working on it.

GEAR 2030: ACEA outlined its priorities for the work of the GEAR 2030 High Level Group: benchmarking on competitiveness (Europe vs other key markets), assessment of impact of FTAs on competitiveness in Europe, market trends, sustainable and connected mobility solutions, implications of automation for type approval, UNECE standards, comprehensive approach across sectors (e.g. ICT, standards). They consider it beneficial to reduce the number of stakeholders and focus on growth and job aspects for the automotive sector and better enforcement of outcome of the discussions. GEAR 2030 should be the central point for Commission work on connectivity and automation.

CECRA: ACEA informed that they are conducting a dialogue with car dealers association (CECRA) to resolve some outstanding issues. Lowri informed the Commission is aware of these issues.

TTIP: ACEA informed that about the state of play in negotiations passenger cars and commercial vehicles.

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