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Subject: Meeting with PRO MO Federazione gomma plastica

Dear colleagues,

I met PRO MO yesterday. **Pro.mo** is the name that identifies the group of disposable plastic tableware manufacturers established five years ago within **Unionplast**, the association that brings together Italy's plastic processing industries. In its turn, Unionplast is a member of the **Plastic and Rubber Federation of Confindustria**.

In short, they made the following points:

- According to their LCA, traditional plastic tableware is less harmful than when made of bioplastic (but also 'most alternatives') – they advised against regrettable substitution (Your CAB explained the line on bioplastic in the Plastic Strategy)
- They stressed their efforts in littering campaigns and the role of plastic packaging in preventing food waste
- Their key asks:
 - o No ban on SUP
 - o No decisions that would open the door to less sustainable alternatives made outside the EU
 - o Bioplastics are not a solution
- The following figures were mentioned:
 - o 80% of plastic straws are made in China.
 - o Italy one of the biggest EU markets for production and consumption of SUP. Industry uses 160 000 tons of polymers which are turned in cups (50%), plates (40%) and cutlery. PRO MO had more data on consumption and production of SUPs in Italy which they were going to send.
 - o They referred to participation in the EU's public consultation 'on a personal basis'

Best

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Oggetto: Meeting request

Dear [redacted]

I could meet you r client at 14.30 on 13/2. Would that be possible on your side? Could you please share your please? [redacted] Timmermans cabinet may also join.

All the best

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Dear [redacted],

on the last June I met Mrs. [redacted] with our client COREPLA, the Italian national consortium for plastic recycling.

We had a very interesting meeting and I would be happy to introduce to [redacted] our client PRO.MO, the Italian association of foodservice packaging producers.

The President of PRO.MO will be in Bruxelles on the next **13 February** and we'd like to share with [redacted] some ideas about the role of the plastic packaging in the circular economy and some points from a very important LCA study about dishes.

May I ask to [redacted] to invest some minutes of his time with us that day?

Thank you and best regards,

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