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Subject: Eurometaux's Position Paper "EU Due Diligence in Supply Chains" – Importance of the forthcoming EU legislation for the Non-Ferrous Metals Industry

Dear Zaneta Vegnere and Andrea Beltramello,

Following the productive meeting held by Executive Vice President Valdis Dombrovskis and the non-ferrous metals industry on 4 February, I am contacting you on behalf of Eurometaux (European metals association) in view of your responsibility in the Cabinet for Conflict Minerals and Due Diligence.

Our sector shares a strong belief that responsible and ethical sourcing of metals and minerals should be an essential part of EU policy.

Please find attached the metals industry's **official views on EU Due Diligence**, in view of the European Commission's Sustainable Corporate Governance initiative you are working on with colleagues for later in 2021, and ongoing work in the policy areas of Conflict Minerals and Batteries.

Our membership has lead the way globally in setting-up OECD compliant due diligence schemes to ensure responsible supply chains, with recent examples including the [Cobalt Industry Responsible Assessment Framework](#) and a [Joint Due Diligence standard](#) introduced last week by the copper, nickel, lead and zinc industries. Our EU policy recommendations build on this experience.

We would welcome the opportunity for a follow-up meeting with you directly, in order to discuss our due diligence position in more detail and our recommendations for your policy agenda. A Eurometaux representative would be joined by a set of due diligence industry experts.

Thank you for your kind attention and consideration.

Best regards,

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