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Dear Mr [redacted], dear all,

Following our recent meeting from 21st January on the DMA and the joint priorities presented by the European book and audiovisual sector, please allow me to share the remaining concerns of the European bookselling and publishing sector, attached for your consideration.

As we discussed during the call, the interoperability of e-books remains a key priority for us, one which we firmly believe should be included in the final DMA text, and unfortunately, is yet to be fully acknowledged. We believe the European Parliament's position, specifically under *Article 6 1 f*, is on the right track in terms of ambition and wording, but a few minor changes are still needed to ensure its full inclusion. You can find our suggested wording and explanation attached.

In our paper, you will also find an explanation for our concern with the exclusion from the scope of some services provided by gatekeepers alongside their core platform service, namely their retailing activities. This exclusion holds significant implications for the book publishing sector. We also provide several wording options to mitigate this issue under the DMA.

As the trilogue negotiations are still ongoing, we are readily available to discuss these concerns in further detail during a meeting at your convenience, should this be helpful.

In the meantime, we remain at your disposal for any further questions.

On behalf of

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Kind regards,

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