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Dear Ms. Yordi-Aguirre,

On behalf of CLIA Europe I would like to offer you my most sincere congratulations upon your recent appointment as Director for European and International Carbon Markets within DG CLIMA of the European Commission.

CLIA Europe, representing nearly the totality of the cruise lines operating in Europe, stands for quality shipping, upholding the highest environmental and safety standards for the benefit of our passengers, coastal areas, the sea and society at large.

We support the European Commission's priorities of establishing jobs and growth and underline the important role of the cruise sector as a driver of prosperity for Europe's economy. The cruise industry generates annually over €40 billion in goods and services and provides more than 360,000 direct and indirect jobs in the EU.

With sustainable development going hand in hand with economic growth, the improvement of efficiency and carbon emissions are two key priorities for our sector. CLIA Europe is fully supportive of the important role the European Commission plays in helping the EU deliver on the Paris Agreement and mitigating climate change and we look forward to a positive engagement and constructive cooperation with you in all areas of mutual interest.

I would very much welcome the opportunity to meet you personally at a time that is most

appropriate for you in order to present and discuss the views of the cruise sector and find common solutions.

I wish you all success for the upcoming challenges.

Yours sincerely,



Kyriakos Anastasiadis

Chair – CLIA Europe