

To Vice-President Frans Timmermans - Commissioner for Better Regulation, Inter-Institutional Relations, the Rule of Law and the Charter of Fundamental Rights

Brussels, January 2015

Dear Mr. Timmermans,

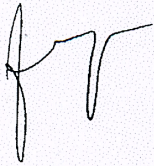
The Platform for a New Energy Model, the Spanish Renewable Energy Association (APPA), the Spanish Photovoltaic Union (UNEF), the Canarian Wind Energy Association (AEOLICAN), the Canarian Renewable Energy Association (ACER) and the Catalan Wind Energy Association (EOLICCAT) supported in this letter by the undersigned MEPs, want to congratulate you on your appointment as First Vice President of the new European Commission under President Jean Claude Juncker. Your new role seems to be challenging in the sense that you will have to actively steer the Commissioners in the realm of influence of your tasks: Better Regulation, Inter-Institutional Relations, Rule of Law & Charter of Fundamental Rights and Sustainable Development. We would say that you will become a very busy Commissioner, considering that your task in practice will affect all other portfolios of the European Commission, and especially those that can make a contribution to sustainable development.

One portfolio which will certainly be affected is Climate Action and Energy. The Spanish government has been botching the renewable energy sector in Spain and as a defender of this sector I discussed this with Mr. Oettinger when he was Energy Commissioner and former Commissioner Almunia of Competition. The Platform for a New Energy Model, together with APPA and UNEF, has expounded its views on the regulatory disaster in Spain on numerous occasions with DG Energy, DG Climate, DG Tax and other DG's. We did in the framework of a series of complaints we have filed to the European Commission concerning the very questionable legality of the regulatory changes in the Spanish electricity sector.

A particularly important issue are the complaints the Platform for a New Energy Model filed with the previous Commission about the violation of fundamental rights protected under EU Law and the Rule of Law. The main problem encountered in the quest for legal remedies in Spain is the evasive attitude of the Spanish Supreme Court regarding its obligations under article 267 of the Treaty of Functioning of the European Union. Spanish citizens thus are blocked access to the competent court for interpreting the applicable concepts of EU Law in our defense. They do not need to Commission to solve their problems, they only need the Commission to assure the Rule of Law and proper access to the European Court of Justice in Luxemburg, through a **vigorous compliance with the EU treaty** by Spain.

We look forward to seeing you soon, we will contact your staff to set up a meeting with you after February 1st at earliest convenience. We are convinced that with your appointment the term Rule of Law will have the same value in all Member States.

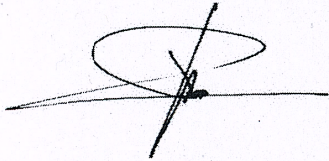
Yours sincerely,



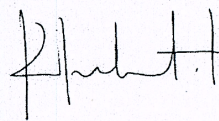
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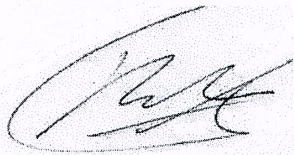
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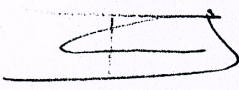
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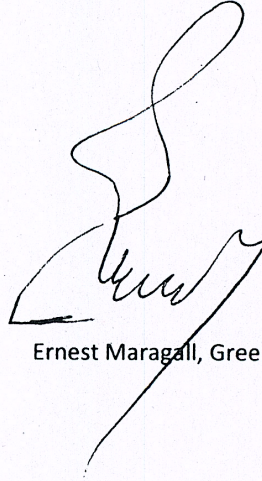
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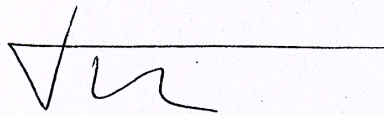
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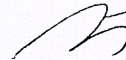
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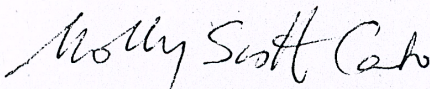
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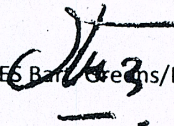
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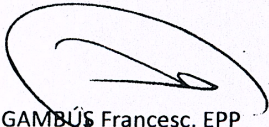
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SCOTT CATO Molly, Greens/EFA



STAES Bart, Greens/EFA

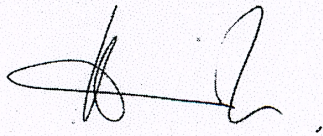


GAMBUS Francesc, EPP

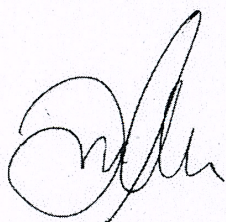


MARCELLESI Florent, Spanish Greens Spokesperson in the European Parliament

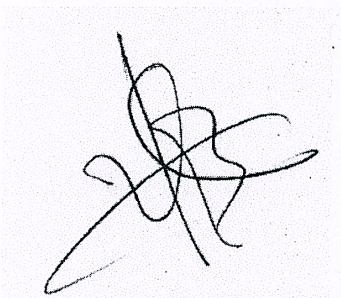
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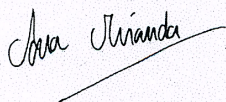
LUNACEK Ulrike, Vice-President of the European Parliament, Greens/EFA

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JÁVOR Benedek, GREENS/EFA

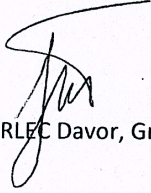
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TREMOSA Ramón, ALDE

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MIRANDA Ana, BNG Spokesperson in the European Parliament

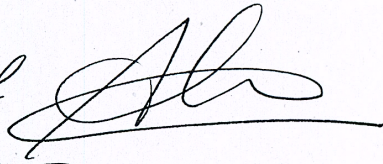
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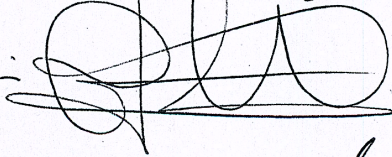
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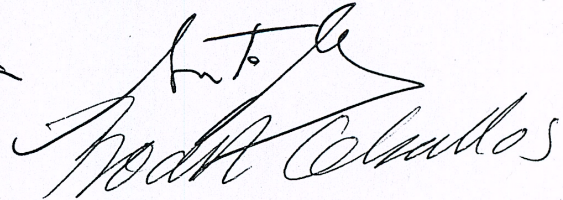


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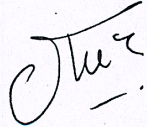


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