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## Subject: Designation of Dr. Stoiber as Special Adviser

Dear Mr De Clerck,

I refer to the note that you addressed on 18 December 2014 to the Secretary-General of the Commission, and more precisely to its second paragraph where you ask for information on the modalities of Dr. Stoiber's designation as Special Adviser.

As regards your first question, Dr. Stoiber will be engaged as non-remunerated Special Adviser. He will only be entitled to the reimbursement of his mission expenses.

Concerning the measures taken in order to avoid risks of conflict of interest, I refer to the Statement of Assurance of 9 February 2015. As set out in this Statement (which is sent to you by the Secretariat-General of the Commission in reply to the request for access to documents that you made in the first paragraph of your note of 18 December 2014), it will be ensured that Dr. Stoiber does not, in his capacity as Special Adviser for Better Regulation, deal with any matters concerning Deloitte, ProSiebenSat.1 or Donner & Reuschel Privatbank.

Dr. Stoiber has committed himself to not dealing, in this capacity, with matters concerning the aforementioned three undertakings. It should also be noted in this connection that he does not carry out operational or managerial functions for Deloitte, ProSiebenSat.1 or Donner & Reuschel Privatbank.

Yours sincerely,

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