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*Dear Henrik,*

We would like to thank you and Christine Berg for the fruitful and informative meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> February regarding Reference Period 3.

As discussed during the meeting, we have reviewed the published targets and, as predicted, are very disappointed. The already weakened targets of the first PRB recommendations have been lowered even further, especially with regard to capacity and costs.

In general, the airspace user community understands the notion of having realistic and achievable targets. However, we cannot accept targets that prevent meaningful structural reform of monopolistic Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs). For the benefit of passengers, the EU economy and our environment - nobody wants to see a repeat of summer 2018.

Consequently, we strongly urge the PRB and DG MOVE to ensure that ambitious targets are set and reflected in the member states performance plans.

With regard to airlines playing their part in the process, we are already discussing campaigns to support National Supervisory Authorities in setting challenging local targets.

Part of these campaign plans is the possibility of participating and presenting to the SSC, as discussed in our meeting. We would kindly like to inquire if you were able to secure a slot for Airspace users to present at the next SSC?



The airspace user representatives look forward to continuing constructive discussions with you during the target setting process. If you would need further clarification or support, please contact us directly.

We thank you in advance for your support.

*Best regards,*



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