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Dear Mr Galdes,
Dear Mr Hogan,

The farmers in Europe need your help. Russia's embargo has put enormous pressure on an already struggling EU agricultural market. EU farmers and agricultural cooperatives lost one of their main export markets. The European farmers need the political stalemate between the EU and Russia to end.

We therefore urge you to propose to the European Council an exit-strategy from the sanctions against Russia.

Sanctions should serve as an incentive measure instead of a punishment measure. Consequently, we believe that the EU sanctions on Russia should be gradually phased out as the peace process between Russia and Ukraine progresses, not only when the Minsk peace plan is fully implemented.

Sincerely,

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