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Directorate-General Neighbourhood & Enlargement Negotiations

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The Director

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TO WHOMEVER IT MAY CONCERN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Further to the note from Commissioner Hahn to the attention of the Prime Minister, I have been asked to provide additional explanations, to complement the information already provided in above letter.

First, as far as the nature and tasks of the Management Board of the IMO, let me reiterate that this body has a purely administrative nature. Its tasks could be compared to those of a Project Management Unit and aim to facilitate the joint work of the European Commission and the US government, under my chairmanship.

Second, let me emphasize that all the recommendations in relation to the current selection of candidates for the formation of the vetting organs and the future vetting of the judiciary will be carried out by the international observers that have been or will be appointed by the IMO to that effect. Let me also underline again that the IMO is a strictly non-executive operation, whose only aim is to monitor and provide recommendations throughout the vetting process. All executive decisions belong to the institutions of Albania.

Lastly, in order to facilitate the communication, and avoid any confusion, I will be referring solely to the IMO in future official exchanges.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of the IMO