

Brussels, 10 April 2024

Dear Petitioner.

Thank you for your letter and for advocating for the increased assistance for the developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in responding to loss and damage. Commissioner Hoekstra asked me to reply to you on his behalf.

We consider as a key success of COP28 the operationalisation of new funding arrangements and a fund for assisting developing countries that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in responding to loss and damage. The EU and its Member States led the way contributing with more than EUR 400 million, over three fifths of the initial funding pledges.

We look forward to engaging constructively in the new fund through its Board. The European Union and its Member States have nominated their representatives to the board of the fund, and the names of the nominated members are publicly available in the UNFCCC website (1).

We also look forward to continuing our engagement with the broader funding arrangements to ensure coherence and complementarity, including through the third Glasgow Dialogue in June 2024 and the high-level dialogue established by the 1/COP.28 and 5/CMA.5 Decisions. These processes can help further identify priority gaps and new opportunities for scaling up or enhancing existing, as well as initiating new funding arrangements for responding to loss and damage.

Thank you again for your message and for sharing your calls for enhanced climate action. I assure you that the European Union will continue working towards this goal.

Yours sincerely,

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