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Subject: A Call for Leadership in Energy Sovereignty

Dear Petitioner,

Thank you for your email. I share your commitment to Europe's energy security and independence and want to assure you that this principle guides our overall energy policy, our engagement with key partners, including the United States, as it guided our engagement at CERAWEEK in Houston.

At the CERAWEEK conference, as in any other fora, we made clear that the EU's energy priorities remain unwavering: **energy security through an acceleration of the transition to clean and homegrown energy.**

We value strong partnerships with key and diversified energy suppliers to the EU as we continue to phase out Russian energy imports. At the same time, we know that our long-term resilience depends on reducing dependencies and the overall exposure of the EU to volatile global fossil fuel markets. The recent crisis in the Strait of Hormuz underscores why diversification is critical in the short term, as well as why our focus should firmly remain on advancing homegrown solutions: **clean energy, electrification, and energy efficiency.**

The real challenge now lies in implementation. **AccelerateEU, the REPowerEU plan, the Industry Accelerator Act, the Grids Package,** and the upcoming **EU Electrification Action Plan** are all equally pivotal to modernising our infrastructure and decarbonising industry, transport, and heating, while ensuring that Europe reaps the full benefits of the transition in terms of growth, jobs and clean tech industrial capacity. These are the levers that will secure our energy independence - not by severing our ties with others, but by building a system that is **European by design.**

I appreciate your vigilance and will continue to seek alignment among our energy partners with our climate and energy objectives.

Yours sincerely,

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