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Oggetto: OPEN LETTER - Appeal to the European Parliament, June 2023 - Lyon-Turin

Dear Mr Delhomme, Dear Mr Prieri,

On behalf of President of the European Parliament, Roberta Metsola, I would like to thank you for your open letter concerning Project Lyon-Turin.

You raised the issue of the involvement of EU citizens in terms of access to information and active participation with regard to the project of a new railway line between the cities of Turin and Lyon. I would like to make a few considerations about transparency in the decision-making and implementation of this project, which is part of the broader TEN-T Project.

Due to the scale of the project and its possible impacts, the developers of the project have to comply with several EU legislations. If correctly implemented, such regulations are providing a high level of protection of the environment and the citizens. In case of non-compliance, National authorities and the European Commission have tools to activate judicial remedy.

The EU Parliament had the opportunity to discuss both the financial and environmental aspects of the project in the context of the monitoring of TEN-T projects by the TRAN Commission and the discussions of the PETI Committee on Petitions on environmental aspects. With the launching of a new operative phase the Parliament will continue to monitor the progress of the project.

As citizens you can take action, if you believe that EU legislation has not been properly applied, either through the abovementioned petitions (<a href="https://www.europarl.europa.eu/petitions/en/home">https://www.europarl.europa.eu/petitions/en/home</a>) or through the European Commission's infringement procedure (<a href="https://ec.europa.eu/assets/sg/report-a-breach/complaints\_en/">https://ec.europa.eu/assets/sg/report-a-breach/complaints\_en/</a>).

As far as your request of public hearings is concerned, it will be up to the respective Committees, who are informed of this exchange of letters, to decide in the framework of their periodical planning.

As a Member of President's Cabinet responsible for transport and environmental policies, I am at your disposal should you wish to receive any further clarifications.

With kindest regards,

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