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Dear Executive Vice-President, dear Commissioner,

The Automotive Industrial Action Plan recognizes autonomous driving as one of the key technologies determining the future competitiveness of the European automotive industry. In this regard, Europe's main challenge today is not lack of expertise or industrial capacity, but achieving real-world deployment at scale. In other major markets, autonomous vehicles are operated at scale through robotaxi services. However, in the EU, fragmented national rules governing ride-hailing and on-demand passenger services prevent autonomous mobility from scaling across the Single Market.

Together with Latvia, Lithuania and Slovakia, we are submitting a joint letter highlighting the need to complement existing technological initiatives with a services-driven Single Market approach. Fragmented national rules for ride-hailing and on-demand passenger services continue to hinder deployment at scale and investment certainty. In this context, please find attached a draft letter with the following key messages:

1. To move from pilots to real life, autonomous mobility must be treated not only as a vehicle technology, but as a Single Market services issue;

2. Automotive Industrial Action Plan must now be complemented by a Single Market approach prioritizing ride-hailing and autonomous passenger services for harmonisation.

We look forward to continued dialogue on advancing autonomous mobility through a well-functioning Single Market. Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions you might have.

Yours sincerely,

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