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Directorate SG/B – Better Regulation and Administration
The Director

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Dear Mr Verheugen,

I am pleased to inform you that, in conformity with the Code of Conduct for Commissioners, the Commission decided, at its meeting held on 6 July 2010, that your post-office occupations as a Political Adviser to the *Bundesverband der Deutschen Volksbanken und Raiffeisenbanke*, as a Senior Adviser/Vice Chairman of the Royal Bank of Scotland (German Branch), as Member of the International Advisory Board of the Fleishman Hillard International Communications and as an Advisor to the President of the Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey (TOBB) are compatible with Article 245(2) of the TFEU.

The Commission's decision was based on the Ad hoc Ethical Committee's opinion delivered on 28 June 2010 and on the information you provided in your letters dated 29 April and 3 June 2010. The Commission took inter alia into account the fact that you explicitly excluded any type of lobby or direct involvement in business activities.

Kind regards,

Hubert Szlaszewski

Cc: Catherine Day