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Dear Mr. Vice-president,

I am writing to you in my capacity as President of the European Council of the Liberal Professions (CEPLIS) in order to thank you very much indeed, in the name of all our organisations-members and in my own name, for your initiative to question the European Commission on the following-up it envisages to give to the conclusions of its Working Group on "Bolstering the Business of the Liberal Professions".

Our membership does not forget that the Group in question was set up at your own initiative and that your term as Vice-president of the European Commission, responsible for Enterprise, was marked by a series of gestures towards our socio-economic category that had hardly any precedent in the past. We had no doubt that from your new position as Vice-president of the European Parliament you'd continue to work for a sector that is crucial to all efforts of development and growth in an international context still quite marked by the severe economic crisis of the previous years.

As you well know, CEPLIS has always actively supported your work. The Executive Board I have the honour to chair since this January is obviously committed to actively continue to shoulder and promote your initiatives. In that context I would be delighted if you could find a moment in your busy schedule for a meeting with me and a delegation from CEPLIS, in the coming month. Our Secretariat will take the liberty to contact yours for this purpose in the coming days.

I look forward, dear Mr. Vice-president, to working with you in the future, along with all the components of the liberal professional family, in order to make sure that liberal professional entrepreneurs would be able to continue to contribute to the Union's growth with the ultimate goal to better serve our clients, our patients and the community at large.

Sincerely Yours,

Rudolf Kolbe

President of CEPLIS