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Dear Prof. Woopen,

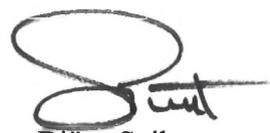
President von der Leyen would like to thank you for your letter on behalf of the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies in which you warmly express your support for her address on the State of the Union. We are pleased to read that it resonated strongly with your mandate and mission as European Group on Ethics.

We would also like to thank you for the various links you sent including your statements on “European Solidarity and the Protection of Fundamental Rights in the COVID-19 Pandemic” and “The Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, Robotics and ‘Autonomous’ Systems”.

Both of these subjects will be high on our policy agenda in the coming months. We have taken note with attention of the content of your statements and shared them with the competent Members of the College and Services.

May we take this opportunity to send you our best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



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