



Brussels, 8 May 2019

**Note for the attention of Ms. I. Souka, Director-General, DG Human Resources and Security**

Dear Director-General,

Strike notice

In accordance with the provisions of Title 5 of the “Agreement on relations between the Commission and the Trade unions and staff associations”, the undersigned, representatives of:

- Renouveau & Démocratie (Alliance)
- F.F.P.E.
- Union Syndicale
- T.A.O.-A.F.I. (Alliance)
- SFE (Alliance)

hereby notify, as a precautionary measure, their intention to call upon the staff of DG BUDG to cease its activities for an initial half-day period within 15 working days as of today.

The exact date of the strike cannot be specified at this stage: it will depend on the answers that the Director-General of DG BUDG and the Director of OIB will give as regards their taking into due account the opinion of the staff and of their representatives in the decision-making process which may lead to transferring staff of DG BUDG into “open space” situation.

The undersigned also intend to express their indignation at the disrespectful behaviour of Director-General Koopmann, who, on Tuesday 7 May, during an assembly of the personnel called to discuss the "open space" issue, did not allow staff representatives (including the President of the Local Staff Committee and the representatives of the “Prevention and protection at work Joint Committee” - CPPT) to enquire on the state of play of the issue and in particular to ensure that the procedures are in full accordance with the rules in force. The staff representatives were invited to leave the room.

Finally, the undersigned, pursuant to article 39 of the above-mentioned Agreement, are fully available to take advantage of the period following this notification to negotiate the settlement of the dispute at the appropriate level.

Looking forward to hearing from you in this context,

Yours sincerely,

Cristiano SEBASTANI (R&D, Alliance), Stafakis STEFANIDIS (FFPE), Juan-Pedro PEREZ ESCANILLA (USB),

Raúl TRUJILLO HERRERA (TAO-AFI, Alliance), Alain HUBRECHT (SFE, Alliance)

cc.:

- Mr Oettinger, Member of the Commission;
- Mr Koopman, Director General DG BUDG;
- Mr Mouligneau, Director OIB;
- Mr Moricca and Mr Sakkers, DG HR;
- President of the C.P.P.T. - "Prevention and protection at work Joint Committee";
- Presidents, Central Staff Committee and Brussels Local Staff Committee;
- OSPs

Bcc.:

- Colleagues, DG BUDG