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Dear Mr. Kuzmenko,

I am pleased to inform you that the European Union, represented by the Commission, Mr Yann Seimandi, DG MOVE, will participate in the 17th session of the OTIF Committee of Technical Experts (CTE).

As regards the Agenda, pursuant to Article 6(4) of the EU-OTIF Agreement¹, I would also like to inform you that the Union intends to exercise its voting rights in regards to decisions to be taken.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)

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¹ Council Decision 2013/103/EU of 16 June 2011 on the signing and conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail on the Accession of the European Union to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) of 9 May 1980, as amended by the Vilnius Protocol of 3 June 1999 (OJ L 51, 23.2.2013, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2013/103(1)/oj).