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Dear Ms. TINAGLI,

Ukraine, as the candidate state to the European Union and its important trade partner, has been closely following consideration by the European Parliament of the Commission Delegated Act amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2139 as regards economic activities in certain energy sectors and Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/2178 as regards specific public disclosures for those economic activities.

In conditions of the ongoing full military invasion of the Russian Federation on Ukraine, which, in particular, has resulted to disastrous consequences for the daily lives of the people of Ukraine, Ukrainian energy sector and energy infrastructure, the objection of the Complementary Delegated Act could be particularly challenging for Ukraine and its post-war reconstruction.

I would like to recall that Ukraine has been sharing the objectives of the European Green Deal, since it was presented by the President of the European Commission Ms. Ursula von der Leyen, and committed to achieve the climate neutrality under the Second Nationally Determined Contribution to the Paris Agreement till 2060.

The war has affected our capacities to achieve these goals in short and medium terms.

Mr. Irene TINAGLI
Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

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Cc: AFET, ITRE,
To whom it may concern in the EP

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Brussels

Given that, I am addressing you and esteemed Members of the European Parliament to positively consider the contribution of Ukraine to the European energy security with regard to Ukraine's significant potential of electricity trade based on renewable sources, and to admit that nuclear and gas may still be needed as the transitional fuels, in particular:

- Post-war reconstruction of Ukraine will require a predictable and conducive investment climate for all technologies that would strengthen Ukrainian energy resilience and contribution of Ukraine to securing energy supplies in the EU.
- Nuclear power generation and indigenous gas production are estimated to remain a strong backbone for ensuring security of energy supply and sovereignty of Ukraine in next decade (up to 2030).
- In a scenario with transition of Ukraine to 50% of renewable energy in the electricity production by 2030 the nuclear power will remain a significant contributor to energy security and transition to carbon neutrality (14 GW installed capacity).
- Prior to 24th February 2022, Ukraine has put in operation 8.6 GW of renewable energy capacities (primarily largescale PVs, but also wind, solar rooftop and biomas (biogas). Together with installed large hydro capacities it constitutes up to 13 GW. With support of the international community Ukraine can increase installed renewable capacities to a total level of at least 30GW over next 8 years. These capacities will include renewable power needed to produce hydrogen.
- On indigenous gas production and its contribution to the Ukrainian energy independence:
 - Ukraine holds second largest gas reserves in Europe of approximately 1.1 trillion cubic meters.
 - Ukrainian energy system continue to rely on gas for combined heat and power generation and providing centralized district heating. This gas could be supplied by increasing domestic production.
 - Ukraine can contribute to ensuring security of gas supplies in the EU by providing its spare Underground Gas Storage facilities:
 - The technical capacity of Ukrainian UGS equals 30.95 bcm. Excluding 4.66 bcm of cushion gas required for long-term storage, the maximum level of technologically active gas is equal to 26.3 bcm.
 - At least 10 bcm of Ukrainian underground gas storages could be used to achieve the EU' recently approved filling target of 80% this year and 90% starting from next year.

In view of the above, I strongly believe that the inclusion of gas and nuclear in the taxonomy is an important element of the energy security in Europe, especially with a view to replacing Russian gas.

I would highly appreciate your personal attention to this matter as **sharing the position of Ukraine among esteemed Members of the European Parliament.**

I will be grateful for your kind feedback on this letter and looking forward to our future personal contacts.

Please, accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Enclosure: as above, 3 pages.

Sincerely yours

Minister

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'German Galushchenko', with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end.

German GALUSHCHENKO