



To

Mr. Valdis Dombrovskis, Trade  
Commissioner.

Mr. Joseph Borell, High Representative of the  
EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

*Subject: Transparency of documents and information for the European Parliament regarding the  
EU/Mercosur agreement*

Dear Mr. Commissioner,

Dear Mr. High representative of the EU,

As you already know, the conduct of the European Union's trade policy is governed by Article 218 of the TFEU. This article specifies in its point 10 that "The European Parliament shall be immediately and fully informed at all stages of the procedure" for agreements being negotiated and concluded between the Union and third countries.

We came to learn through the press<sup>1</sup> about the existence within the Commission and the EEAS of a 9-page document, which seems to contain additional proposals related to the ratification of the agreement with Mercosur.

However, to the best of our knowledge, this preliminary document, on such a sensitive subject and subject to parliamentary control, has not yet been shared with the Members of Parliament.

As trade agreements have huge impacts on the environment, the climate, social standards, workers and human rights, proper information of the Parliament and its members is key to

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<sup>1</sup> <https://valor.globo.com/brasil/noticia/2022/09/14/itamaraty-alerta-ue-para-limite-em-demandas-ambientais.ghtml>



quality parliamentary control and to avoid weakening the confidence of citizens in the democratic institutions.

Therefore, Dear Mr. Commissioner, Dear Mr. High Representative, we would like to officially request, for this document to be made available to the MEPs and for the Commission to present it during an exchange of views.

We thank you in advance, Dear Mr. Commissioner, Dear Mr. High Representative for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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