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From:	Claude Moraes
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To:	Pieter de Gooijer
Subject:	Request for access to the negotiating mandate for opening negotiations with Mexico on a PNR Agreement

Delegations will find attached a letter from the LIBE Committee of the European Parliament requesting access to the negotiating directives for the PNR Agreement with Mexico.

Directorate-General for Internal Policies of the Union
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Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
The Chairman

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Subject: Request for access to the negotiating mandate for opening negotiations with Mexico on a PNR Agreement

Your Excellency,

The European Commission is currently negotiating the EU Mexico PNR Agreement which falls within the scope of Article 218(6)(a) TFEU and requires the consent of the European Parliament. The Parliament has already started preparing its work on this dossier. Ms Soraya POST has been appointed as the rapporteur for this report and she and the LIBE Committee members shadowing the dossier have already started examining the state of play of the negotiations.

In accordance with the *Interinstitutional agreement of 12 March 2014 between the European Parliament and the Council concerning the forwarding to and handling by the European Parliament of classified information held by the Council on matters other than those in the area of the common foreign and security policy* the European Parliament can request access to classified information held by the Council concerning negotiating directives for international agreements on which the Parliament is required to give its consent.

In this regard, in my capacity of Chair of the LIBE Committee, I request you to forward to the European Parliament the negotiating mandate for opening negotiations with Mexico (**Council document 9218/3/15 REV 3**).

Given the on-going work on this dossier, I would appreciate if you could provide the requested document as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,



Claude MORAES

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