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Dear Vice-President Ansip,

As you know, following Vice-President Georgieva resignation that will take effect at midnight on 31 December 2016, I have transferred the portfolio of Budget and Human Resources to Commissioner Günther Oettinger as of 1 January 2017 (see my letter of 28 October 2016).

As a consequence, I have decided to transfer temporarily Commissioner Günther Oettinger's portfolio of Digital Economy and Society to you, in addition to your current responsibilities. In your role of Vice-President, you are already coordinating many of the key files under this portfolio, working closely with other Commissioners, the European Parliament and the Council on several important proposals in this area. With your experience, expertise and good network amongst Members of the European Parliament, Prime Ministers and relevant Ministers, you are ideally placed to ensure continuity, during this temporary period, in the Digital Economy and Society portfolio.

This decision will take effect as of 1 January 2017.

I have invited Commissioner Oettinger to work closely with you to allow an orderly transition of this important portfolio.

I will of course keep you informed about any future development concerning my choice for the new Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Andrus Ansip
Vice-President of the European Commission