## EUROPEAN COMMISSION



Ursula von der Leyen The President

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## Dear President, dear Pedro

I would like to congratulate you for the satisfactory fulfilment of the first 52 milestones under the Spanish Recovery and Resilience Plan. This paved the way for the net disbursement of  $\epsilon$ 10 billion to Spain still in 2021. Your country was thus the first Member State to receive a regular disbursement from the Recovery and Resilience Facility, after the pre-financing payment of  $\epsilon$ 9 billion in August. This significant achievement testifies to both the quality of the Spanish plan and the excellent cooperation between the Spanish authorities and the Commission services.

Thank you also for the submission of the First Progress Report on the implementation of the Spanish Recovery and Resilience Plan. This report is very welcome, including for transparency and accountability purposes, and we will study it with attention.

Moreover, we appreciate that Spain continues to progress with other reforms, including the labour market reform.

I look forward to a continued good and productive collaboration on the implementation of the Spanish Recovery and Resilience Plan.

Yours faithfully,

Ursula von der Leyen

H.E. Mr Pedro Sánchez President of the Government of Spain