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Dear colleague,

As you know from your meeting 2 December 2013 with my predecessor Ms. Olsen Dyhr in Husum we have an increasing concern about the so-called "letter box companies" within road haulage. As Ms. Olsen Dyhr explained our road haulage industry is worried that certain letter box companies in Germany are not real companies, but actually only established in order to obtain advantages as to wages etc.m

The competent Danish authority, the Danish Transport Authority, has sent a letter to the Bundesamt für Gueterverkehr on the subject. In the letter they have put some pertinent questions as to certain companies established in Northern Germany which are owned by Danish parent companies. Bundesamt für Gueterverkehr referred them to the local authorities in Schleswig-Holstein. As a result of this response the Danish Transport Authority 21 November 2013 wrote a letter to your ministry where the same issue was presented. I have attached the letters.

I am writing to you now because there is a great focus on the matter in Denmark. A speedy answer from your authorities would be very welcome in order to clarify the situation.

In case you lack information or have questions regarding our query, I encourage your staff to contact head of division in my ministry Ms. Tine Lund Jensen (tj@trm.dk; phone +45 2265 3000) or the Danish Transport Authority.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosed:

- Letter to Bundesamt für Gueterverkehr, 20 August 2013.
- Answer from Bundesamt für Gueterverkehr, 19 September 2013.
- Letter to Ministerium für Wirtschaft, Arbeit, Verkehr und Technologie des Landes Schleswig-Holstein 21 November 2013.