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European Commission

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## Dear Mrs Nikolakopoulou,

This is to confirm that Eroski endorses the EU Code of Conduct on Responsible Food Business and Marketing Practices and stands ready to sign up, effective immediately. As a consumer cooperative, Eroski joins our national confederation HISPACOOP and Euro Coop as signatories.

The Code's ambition is very much in line with our sustainability strategy. We are currently reflecting to put forward ambitious and tangible commitments in multiple areas, including:

| Commitment | Sustainability <br> aspect |
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| Reducing plastics in own brands | Environmental |
| Improving consumer information on own brand product labelling | Social |
| Support producers with targeted measures and long-term cooperation | Economic |
| Reduce carbon emissions in own operations | Social |
| Engage consumers for healthy and sustainable diets | Social / Health |
| Champion animal welfare standards on own brands | Environmental / Social |
| Champion diversity and equity at the workplace | Economic / Social |

Due to the Code's quick development and the tight deadlines, at present we can only provide indications of our commitments. We will make concrete and tangible actions, and, as stipulated by Section 3.2.2 of the Code, submit by 31 December 2021 a brief document with the rationale and motivation and the KPIs / methodology used to track progress.

We continuously strive to innovate our operations in view of higher sustainability performance. The success of the Code and the Farm to Fork Strategy require every actor to do their fair share and we stand ready to co-operate nationally and internationally through the appropriate structures.

I am hopeful the present commitment is reflected at the 5 July launch event.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

## Alejandro Martínez Berriochoa <br> Health \& Sustainability <br> Director <br> EROSKI

