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Dear Ms. Khositashvili,

I am pleased to inform you that my Section plans to conduct a mission to Tbilisi from 5 to 9 May 2019.

The objectives of the mission are to conduct further policy research for two of my Section's flagship projects: the Subregional Innovation Policy Outlook and the Innovation for Sustainable Development Review, and to discuss progress in project implementation with public and private sector partners. I am attaching a first, preliminary mission schedule.

We have been coordinating our visit with Georgia's Innovation and Technology Agency, which will be our main partner in the implementation of the projects. Our main contact point is Annie Vashakmadze, Donor Relations and Resource Mobilization Coordinator.

During our visit we plan to meet with the following institutions and organisations: Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, Government Administration, Business Associations, Statistics Office, UNIDO, UNDP, Chamber of Commerce, Public Procurement Agency, Enterprise Georgia, Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation, UNDP.

Please kindly communicate our mission announcement to your Government. I am at your disposal for any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Anders Jonsson'.

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