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Dear Mrs. Bieńkowska,

We are writing to ask for your help in a matter affecting about 1100 SMEs in Romania. The problem stems from the Romanian Government's refusal to finance the projects already forwarded by the SMEs and which have been approved through an Agreement in the de MINIMIS program according to a Government's Decision (HG Nr. 274/2013).

In 2014 the Romanian Government has initiated this MINIMIS type aid program through its Ministry for Energy, SMEs and the Business Environment (MEIMMMA in Romanian). It was supposed to generate about 6000 jobs and help SMEs grow. The government had promised to invest about 100 million Euro (50 million in 2014 and 50 million in 2015).

More than 8000 companies had declared their interest in taking part, 1100 of those have signed financing agreements for a maximum amount of 100.000 Euro, which represented 90% of eligible costs of the project. The distribution of funds was supposed to take place according to the score obtained at signing up, by reimbursing the expenditures these companies had made out of their own budget. The score was calculated by taking into consideration the companies' financial performances at that given moment and the government's key interest areas.

By means of the contracts signed with the beneficiaries in 2014, the government obligated the companies to start the works/investment no later than 4 months from signing.

In 2014 the Romanian Government broke its own law (HG 274/2013) and only allocated about 20 million Euros which went to a part of the companies. The rest of the companies were scheduled for the budget 2015.

But in this year the Romanian Government did not allocate any amount for this program and told the beneficiaries that they would have to wait for the budgetary amendment in August 2015.

Although repeatedly stating that the necessary sums will be allocated, the Romanian Government did again not fulfill its public and legal responsibilities which stem from its own law HG 274.

Right now, the program's situation is critical. As the participating companies had been obligated by the signed contracts to start investing at the latest on the 30th of October 2014, they now find themselves in the situation of not being able to repay their loans and are facing bankruptcy.

All our requests have been met by the government with passivity - we have been given neither any explanation nor any solution for the program's unblocking. Two meetings have taken place so far, one at the Ministry of Finance and one at the Ministry of Energy, SMEs and the Business

Environment (MEIMMMA). Unfortunately the two ministries are blaming each other without offering a solution for this situation.

According to the legislation, the program must end on the 31st of December 2015. If the situation will not be solved, many of the participating companies will face bankruptcy, the program will not meet its success targets and the companies which will not go bankrupt will not be able to generate the planned jobs and might even have to let some of their employees go.

Therefore we come to ask you for help, please put pressure in any possible way on the Romanian Government and other authorized authorities to solve this dramatic situation.

Respectfully,

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