

Good afternoon Margarida,
Hope all's well with you.
Please find my responses to your questions below.
All the best,
Ben

1. Do you perceive there to be any overlaps between your role at Vodafone and your previous work at the European Commission?

- No.
- Mr Krüger is, and has always been, subject to the constraints set out in the Commission's decision authorising him to do his current role.
- Not only did Mr. Krüger fulfil the Commission's required cooling off period before joining Vodafone more than two years ago, it is also important to note that his last role in the Commission had nothing to do with his role at Vodafone.

2. Have you had any professional contacts with representatives of the European Institutions since taking up employment at Vodafone?

- Mr. Krüger has had no contact at all with the European Institutions not permitted by the Commission's decision authorising him to do his role at Vodafone which he has occupied for more than two years.
- In particular, he had no professional contact with the Commission at all.

3. How do you respond to concerns that your new role, while on leave from the European Commission, provokes the risk, perception or actuality of conflicts of interest?

- Mr. Krüger is subject to the constraints set out in the Commission's decision authorising him to do his role.
- Mr. Krüger's role is London-based and focused on policy development across Africa, Middle East, Asia and the Pacific.
- His role is not to represent Vodafone to the EU.

4. Do you have any other comments to make about these issues?

- No. The matter is clearly explained above.

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Dear Media Team,

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I would like to ask a few questions to Vodafone's Group Public Policy Development Director, Mr. Reinald Krueger, regarding his move from the European Commission to Vodafone.

It would be very useful to understand more about this from Mr. Krueger's as we consider publishing an article on this issue.

Could you please forward this request to him? I would appreciate receiving a response before Tuesday 13 October.

My questions to Mr. Krueger:

1. Do you perceive there to be any overlaps between your role at Vodafone and your previous work at the European Commission?
2. Have you had any professional contacts with representatives of the European Institutions since taking up employment at Vodafone?
3. How do you respond to concerns that your new role, while on leave from the European Commission, provokes the risk, perception or actuality of conflicts of interest?
4. Do you have any other comments to make about these issues?

I look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your time.

Best regards,
Margarida