

Despite my intentions to decide on the issue at an earlier stage, I have come to the conclusion that it is more constructive to respect the wish expressed by the Dutch Parliament that I postpone a decision on the acceptance of MTCS until after this has been discussed in a parliamentary debate. I expect a debate to be scheduled in May 2011 and I intend to take a decision on MTCS as from July 1st 2011. I will inform you of my decision as soon as possible.

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Yours sincerely,

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