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Dear Ambassador,


The European Parliament Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Delegation for relations with the ASEAN are following the political situation in Thailand with great concern. As you will remember, we have had several exchanges in this context, and we have now also invited the former Prime Minister of Thailand, Mrs Yingluck Shinawatra, to a future exchange of views.

As a democratic institution, the European Parliament traditionally invites all sides on an equal basis in order to gain a full insight into the political situation of a country, with particular emphasis on the point of view of both the government and the opposition, as well as of civil society.

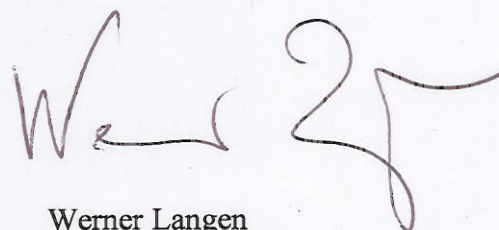
We are therefore willing and ready to continue the discussion with you and/or other representatives of your government. We consider it indeed equally important to listen to the point of view of the representatives of government, be it in Brussels, in Strasbourg or in Bangkok.

We usually address an invitation directly to the person concerned rather than going through government channels. However, we are pleased to share with you the invitation letter that had been sent to Ms Shinawatra (attached).

Yours sincerely,



Elmar Brok



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