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Dear Angie

Thank you for taking to the time to get in touch with me in regards to COP26.

Since being appointed CEO last year, looking at how Thales UK can continue to reduce our impact on the environment and deliver for customers in a responsible way has been a top priority for me.

COP26 represents an opportunity for states and business to come together and really look at how we can work internationally to find solutions to a truly global issue. For Thales, we hope this will include a renewed commitment to working across borders to harness technology to tackle climate change and an acknowledgement that science and research needs to be at the heart of the approach.

Thales is stepping up our commitment to a low-carbon future, reaffirming the undertakings we made by signing the Business Proposals for COP21 in 2015 and the French Business Climate Pledge in 2017 and 2019. Thales has committed to achieving Carbon Net Zero by 2050, but aims to achieve that target by 2040.

Thales Glasgow's technologies are increasingly being used to facilitate the UK's green revolution. Thales is part of MIMRee, a project paving the way for human-robotic teams to assist in maintaining windfarms with the aim of making windfarms designed for robotic maintenance by 2050.

The aim of the project is to demonstrate that robotics and automated systems are a viable solution for inspection and maintenance at offshore wind farms, boosting efficiency and reducing the risk for human crews. Some of the technology for this project is delivered from our Govan site.

I appreciate that industry still has work to do in this space, but please be assured this issue is not something I take lightly as I know it matters to my employees and to the wider community.

Thank you very much for your invitation to a meeting on 4th November. I very much regret that I will not be able to attend as I will not be in Glasgow on that date.

Yours sincerely



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CEO and Chairman, Thales UK