

We would send a multi-camera TV news crew to film the interview which we hope can take place at the Forum and we will be ready to arrange this whenever suits Minister Lavrov and his advisers.

I know that you are familiar with the EBU but I would like to take the opportunity to recall a few facts about our organization. We have had an office in Moscow for more than 30 years and work regularly with you in Russia and around the world. To give you an indication of our reach, we worked with the Swiss government for the meeting of President Putin and US President Joe Biden in Geneva in 2021. The television pictures for that meeting were distributed through our network and broadcast on more than 1000 TV channels in 77 countries.

If Minister Lavrov agrees to an interview with the EBU, this would mean it is available to broadcasters including:

- BBC and ITV in the UK and globally
- RAI in Italy
- TVE in Spain
- ARD and ZDF in Germany
- France Télévisions
- TRT in Turkey and globally
- CBS, ABC and NBC in the United States
- NHK in Japan

The EBU's Members and sublicensees generally have the largest television, radio and digital audiences in their respective countries. As public service broadcasters they are free to air and their journalism is of the highest quality.

I look forward to your response and to working with you on this important event.

Yours sincerely,

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