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Dear Mr Bort,

I would like to thank you for your valuable participation in the round table: "The movement of cultural property in 2016: Regulation, international cooperation and professional diligence for the protection of cultural heritage", which took place at UNESCO Headquarters on 30 March last. Your contribution to the discussion on professional diligence and market regulation to effectively fight against illicit trafficking was particularly constructive.

Representatives of states, the art market, intergovernmental organizations and NGOs had the opportunity to learn more about the concrete results of the US Homeland Security Investigations' activities and the various initiatives implemented to counter illicit trafficking. Your expertise, along with your understanding of the challenges in the protection of cultural property greatly enriched the debate.

With my renewed thanks for your support and cooperation, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Francesco Bandarin