



MINISTER VAN ASIEL EN MIGRATIE

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The Hague, 18 September 2024

Dear Commissioner Johansson,

On 2 July, 2024, the new Dutch government took office. This government aims to drastically reduce the volume of migration to the Netherlands, in order to continue to fulfil our constitutional duties – providing for public housing, healthcare and education.

With this letter I wish to inform you that in order to ensure that the Netherlands can achieve this aim, the Dutch government will call for an opt-out from the European asylum and migration acquis in case of Treaty amendment.

As long as the Netherlands does not have such an opt-out, we consider the swift implementation of the European Pact on Migration and Asylum essential for increasing European control over migration and limiting the influx of migrants to the Netherlands. We will therefore continue to prioritise the implementation of the Pact.

Yours sincerely,

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