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Ad hoc announcement:

Daimler increases provision for EU antitrust proceedings

- **Increase of provision by 600 Mio. € will affect Daimler's fourth quarter 2014 earnings and be taken into account in the group EBIT as a special reporting item.**
- **Earnings forecast for ongoing business in the financial year 2014 remains unchanged.**

Stuttgart – In connection with the ongoing EU Commission antitrust proceedings concerning European commercial vehicle manufacturers, Daimler AG has decided today to increase the provision by 600 Mio. €. The figure is preliminary and unaudited. Daimler made a provision in 2011 for the first time in connection with the antitrust proceedings.

The provision will affect Daimler's reported earnings in the current quarter and be taken into account in the group EBIT as a special reporting item. The earnings forecast for the ongoing business in 2014 remains unchanged: Daimler assumes that EBIT from ongoing business will increase significantly in the year 2014.

The EU Commission delivered its statement of objections to Daimler at the end of November 2014. Since then, Daimler has had the chance to review relevant documents on which the EU Commission bases its accusations in the statement of objections. The amount of the provision increase results from knowledge gained from inspecting these files.

Daimler is cooperating with the authorities but will at the same time - while stating the company's legal view - safeguard its rights in the further proceedings. Daimler is also reviewing all of its procedural options.

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