

Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania
Chair of the Committee on European Affairs
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date 10 September 2013 re. Appointment of Permanent Member of COSAC Secretariat your letter of 9 July 2013 page 1/1

Dear Chair,

With great appreciation for the work of the current Permanent Member of the COSAC Secretariat, Ms Libby Kurien, we have noted that her term of office will expire on 31 December 2013.

At the Meeting of the Chairpersons of COSAC on 8 of July 2013 in Vilnius, it was agreed to appoint a new Permanent Member of the COSAC Secretariat at the L COSAC in Vilnius on 27-29 October.

The standing committee on European affairs of the Dutch House of Representatives has received your invitation to propose a suitable candidate for the post of Permanent Member for the period from 1 January 2014 until 31 December 2015. The standing committee has subsequently decided to recommend that a procedure is started in order to find a suitable candidate from the Dutch House of Representatives. The Dutch House of Representatives expects to complete this procedure before the 1st of October 2013, well before the Meeting of the L COSAC on 27-29 October 2013, but, unfortunately, after the deadline set by your Presidency of 10 September 2013.

Therefore we would like to request the Presidency to postpone the deadline for nominations for the post of Permanent Member until the 1st of October 2013, in order for national parliaments to complete their respective procedures and to be able to nominate a suitable candidate.

On behalf of the chair of the standing committee on European Affairs,

faithfully Your Dr. Mendeltje v Clerk to the standing committee on European Affairs