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Dear Chairpersons,

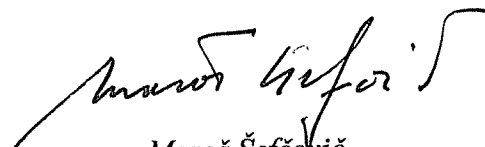
In response to your letter of 12 October addressed to President Barroso, I have the pleasure to send you the official reply of the European Commission to the Contribution of the XLVI COSAC, which the College endorsed at today's meeting. Many of the questions raised in your Contribution have already been touched upon during our very fruitful discussion held at the COSAC Plenary meeting in Warsaw on 2-4 October, at which Commissioner Lewandowski and myself had the opportunity to provide some preliminary responses to some of COSAC's key questions.

Both the Multiannual Financial Framework and the Commission's relations with national Parliaments in the context of the implementation of the Lisbon Treaty will remain high on our interinstitutional agenda during the coming months. I therefore hope we will find other occasions, under the upcoming COSAC Presidencies, to take stock of and discuss the latest developments in both fields, where the Commission considers a regular exchange of views with national Parliaments as crucial.

The Commission is also committed to enhancing its dialogue with national Parliaments on the new European economic governance framework and looks forward to concrete and constructive discussions with COSAC on this matter, so as to ensure the success and broadest ownership possible for what is probably our greatest common challenge ahead.

Let me take the opportunity to thank you once again for the fruitful exchanges and contacts we have had during the Polish COSAC Presidency and to extend to you my best wishes for the holiday season and a happy new year.

Yours faithfully,


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