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Dear President Barroso

Youth unemployment in the EU: a scarred generation?

On behalf of Lord Boswell of Aynho, I attach a copy of a report from the EU Committee of the House of Lords. This contribution is a reaction from the UK National Parliament to the Commission's youth unemployment strategy, with specific reference to COM (2012) 729, COM (2013) 144 and COM (2013) 246. I also attach a covering letter sent by Baroness O'Cathain to Commissioner László Andor.

In line with the informal political dialogue under the Barroso initiative, the EU Committee of the House of Lords would be grateful for the Commission's response to this contribution.

For ease of reference, Chapter 9 of the report (pages 62-68) provides a summary of the Committee's conclusions.

The Committee would, of course, appreciate the Commission's comments on each of the issues raised in the contribution, but the Commission may wish to give particular attention in its response to the conclusions presented in the following paragraphs which relate particularly to the responsibilities of the Commission:

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The Committee looks forward to receiving the Commission's response.

I would be very grateful if you would confirm that you have received this email.

Yours sincerely

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Nicole Mason

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