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For the attention of Presidential Troika of COSAC

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**Mr. Tuur Elzinga, Chairman of the Standing Committee on European Affairs, Senate
NETHERLANDS**

**Mr. Ľuboš Blaha, Chairman of the European Affairs Committee, National Council,
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**Mr / M. Luciano Busuttil
Chairman of the Foreign and European Affairs Committee, House of Representatives,
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Dear Colleagues,

Let me express my gratitude for your support to Georgia in the European integration processes aimed at our country's European approximation.

We have witnessed remarkable developments in the EU-Georgia relations over the last few years. The conclusion of the Association Agreement between the European Union and Georgia has upgraded our partnership, opened up new opportunities for the legislative and executive bodies and generated new expectations among our people.

Georgia is among the most dedicated and consistent Eastern Partnership countries in pursuing its goal of political approximation and economic integration with the European Union. We are committed to building deep, institutional democracy by consolidating domestic reforms and pursue policies based on the values and principles we share with Europe.

As reaffirmed in the EU-Georgia Association Agreement, signed in 27 June 2014 and ratified on July 18, 2014 by the Parliament of Georgia, our government is committed to the rule of law, good governance, institution building, the promotion of sustainable development, and effective multilateralism. This commitment constitutes a key factor in the development of our relations and guides our activities in the joint parliamentary platforms among others. As you are well aware, elected members of the Parliament of Georgia and the European Parliament work together in the **EU-Georgia Parliamentary Association Committee** and the **EURONEST Parliamentary Assembly**. The Parliament of Georgia actively contributes to the work of the **Parliamentary Assembly of Council of Europe (PACE)**, **NATO Parliamentary Assembly**, **OSCE Parliamentary Assembly** and develops the mechanisms

of bilateral parliamentary cooperation with the national parliaments of the EU members states.

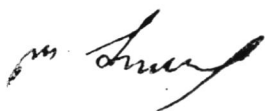
We believe that intensification of cooperation with the European Integration Committees of the member states through COSAC contributes to the implementation of the EU-Georgia AA priorities.

Providing the opportunity for the Parliament of Georgia to be invited in COSAC - **Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs** reunions as an observer would be another good opportunity to strengthen our collaboration and important sign of support at this significant moment.

I am kindly asking you to consider this proposal for the upcoming **COSAC Chairperson's Meeting** and for the **COSAC Plenary Meeting planned during Slovak EU Presidency in 2016**.

Wish you successful Presidency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Levan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Levan BERDZENISHVILI

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