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Marc Angel

Chairperson of the Committee on Foreign and European Affairs,
Defence, Cooperation and Immigration of the
Chamber of Deputies of Luxembourg

Dear Marc,

First of all, I would like to thank and congratulate you for having made it possible to hold the first meeting of the working group on the strengthening of the political dialogue on 30 October 2015 in Luxembourg, well before the COSAC plenary meeting in December. It is truly rewarding to see that the ideas and proposals explored under the Latvian Presidency are being constructively developed further, with enthusiasm and continuous input. The findings based on the answers given by the Parliaments to the questionnaire preparing the 24th Bi-annual Report of COSAC that you mention in the Information Notes accompanying the invitation demonstrate that the meeting of the working group is very timely and that further discussion can only be beneficial for eventual improvements of the “yellow card” mechanism and for setting up new procedures in relation to “green card”.

Notwithstanding my great interest in the coming discussion, unfortunately I will not be able to attend the meeting due to family-related previous engagements. We will nevertheless ensure the representation of the European Affairs Committee of the Saeima at the staff level and look forward to discussions on the Information Notes that you have distributed earlier.

I wish you a very successful meeting and a fruitful debate, and hope to be able to participate in the discussion on another occasion soon.

Yours sincerely,

Lolita Čigāne

Chairperson of the European Affairs Committee
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