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INFORMAL LUNCHTIME SESSION: THE ROLE OF NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS IN SHAPING AND SCRUTINISING EU DECISION-MAKING

Monday, 28 October 2013 14.30-15.10

Venue: Meeting Room adjacent to the Stained Glass Gallery, Building I of the Seimas

This informal, optional session will provide a forum for sharing views and experiences about the work of national Parliaments in shaping and scrutinising EU decision-making. As the time available for discussion is short, some suggested topics are given below in the form of questions.

Suggested topics for discussion:

- 1. What impact has the 'yellow card' mechanism had on the influence of national Parliaments over EU decision-making?
- 2. Particularly in the context of the economic and financial crisis, how has the role of national Parliaments in shaping and scrutinising EU decision-making changed?
- 3. Is interparliamentary cooperation an effective tool for shaping and scrutinising EU decisionmaking? Is this how interparliamentary cooperation should be used?
- 4. What is your Parliament's experience of the level and quality of engagement between the EU institutions and national Parliaments?

Keynote Speaker: Lord Timothy BOSWELL OF AYNHO, Chair of the EU Select Committee of the House of Lords of the United Kingdom.

