

Budapest, 2 May 2011

Dear Colleague,

According to the relevant article of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC), certain costs related to the Permanent Member of the COSAC Secretariat and other necessary technical costs of the COSAC Secretariat are jointly borne by parliaments wishing to contribute.

Since the current co-financing expires on 31 December 2011, we would like to invite the representatives of the national Parliaments to inform us whether they would like to continue the current co-financing scheme according to the previously used procedure.

In case at least fourteen Parliaments would agree to maintain the current co-financing, the present way of sharing costs could continue during the term-in-office of the next Permanent Member of the COSAC Secretariat, who should ideally be appointed at the XLVI COSAC during the Polish Presidency.

To express the engagement of your Parliament to the co-financing until 31 December 2013, please be so kind to return the letter of intent – to which a template is attached to this present letter – to the Hungarian National Assembly (Att. Committee on European Affairs/Európai Ügyek Bizottsága, 1357 Budapest, Kossuth tér 1-3., Hungary) preferably before 15 May 2011. This would allow us to close the XLV COSAC by having a clear picture on the continuation of the co-financing well in advance of the date of appointment of the new Permanent Member.

May I seize this occasion to thank all of you who participated in the co-financing scheme so far for contributing to the fruitful work of the COSAC Secretariat, therefore effective work of the COSAC itself.

Yours sincerely,



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