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*COSAC Presidency*

*Mr André Flahaut  
President of the Belgian House of Representatives and  
Chairman of the Federal Advisory Committee on European Affairs*

*Mr Philippe Mahoux  
Co-Chairman of the Federal Advisory Committee on European Affairs  
Belgian Senate*

*Dear President Flahaut and Mr Mahoux,*

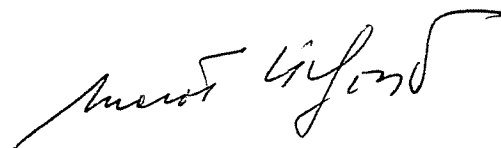
*In response to your letter of 9 November 2010, addressed to President Barroso, I am very pleased to send to you the official reply of the European Commission to the Contribution of the XLIV COSAC, which the College endorsed at its meeting on 14 December 2010.*

*In his speech at the last COSAC meeting on 26 October, the President has already set out the Commission's views on many of the topics raised in the COSAC Contribution. The Commission welcomes the opportunity to elaborate now on some of these questions in this formal reply to the COSAC.*

*The Commission is looking forward to continue its fruitful exchange with the COSAC and to deepen our dialogue, including discussing in more detail, with the incoming COSAC Presidencies, the concrete proposals President Barroso has put forward concerning COSAC's enhanced involvement in discussions on the Commission Work Programme and on the Europe 2020 Strategy.*

*I hope that we will already be able to have a first exchange of views on possible concrete measures and initiatives during the upcoming COSAC Chairpersons' meeting in February in Budapest, at which I will have the honour to represent the Commission.*

*Yours faithfully*



*Cc: Dr. Hörsik Richárd  
Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs  
Hungarian National Assembly*