COURTESY TRANSLATION

Dear Speaker,

It is my greatest pleasure to invite you to the meeting of COSAC Chairs to be held on 4 and 5 February 2010 at the Spanish Senate.

This meeting will allow us to study the priorities set forth for the Spanish Presidency of the European Union and to debate a number of questions related to the economic crisis. We will also consider a range of practical matters in preparation for the COSAC session scheduled for the end of May.

On the evening of February 4 we hope to enjoy your company on a visit to the Royal Palace, followed by dinner at a classical restaurant in the city centre. The working session will be held on Friday morning and the programme will conclude with a luncheon hosted at the seat of the Senate.

Please find attached a hotel registration form. Registration for the meeting will be open as of 1 January, first day of the Spanish Presidency. To this effect, please refer to the general information document also attached.

Looking forwards to welcoming you to Madrid, allow me to avail of this opportunity to assure you of my highest esteem and consideration.

Miguel Arias Cañete Chairman of the Joint Committee for the European Union