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Dear Chairperson,

It is an honour and a privilege for us to invite you to the XXXV COSAC, which will be held in Vienna on 22 and 23 May 2006.

A first draft of the programme, the registration and hotel reservation forms, as well as some general information were already distributed at the end of the meeting of the COSAC Chairpersons on 20 February 2006. These documents, as well as an updated draft programme, can also be downloaded from the COSAC website.

After consultations among the COSAC Troika and in accordance with Article 4.3 of the rules of procedure, I would also like to inform you that the Austrian Presidency will invite one representative each of COSAP (Conference of European Integration/Affairs Committees of the Parliaments of the Countries participating in the Stabilization and Association Process of South-Eastern Europe) and the Ukrainian Parliament as special guests to the XXXV COSAC. Both delegations will have the right to speak under the agenda item "The Western Balkans and the European Neighbourhood Policy" on 23 May 2006.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Conference, we remain

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman of the National Council Standing
Subcommittee on European Union Affairs

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Chairman of the Federal Council
EU Committee