



Mr Jimmy Hood, MP  
Chairman  
European Scrutiny Committee  
House of Commons  
London

Baron Grenfell of Kilvey  
Chairman  
European Union Committee  
House of Lords  
London

### **Candidacy for COSAC Secretariat**

Dear Mr Hood,

Dear Lord Grenfell,

On behalf of the Eduskunta's Grand Committee and with the approval of the Speaker's Council, I am pleased to forward the candidacy of Ms Sarita KAUKAOJA to take over the post of permanent secretary for 2006 and 2007.

Sarita Kaukaoja is a graduate of the University of Turku, the Institut d'Etudes Politiques of Aix-en-Provence and the College of Europe in Natolin. I believe that Sarita is well known to many colleagues as the Eduskunta's permanent representative in Brussels since June 2000. Before joining the Eduskunta, she had served for some three years as an adviser in the Finnish Prime Minister's office.

I am convinced that Sarita Kaukaoja would be a valuable resource for the further development of COSAC.

If Sarita is selected, the Eduskunta will cover her salary and ancillary costs for the two-year period. However, as a matter of principle, I believe that COSAC should continue to seek some burden-sharing format, in order to find a more stable arrangement of the secretariat.

Looking forward to seeing you in London, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Jari Vilén  
chairman

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