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Chairman of the European Affairs  
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Dear Mr Milošević,

On behalf of the Swiss delegation for relations with European Union, I would like to congratulate you on Croatia's imminent presidency of the Council of the European Union.

Switzerland and the European Union are longstanding partners, and the mutual benefits of this partnership are considerable. Switzerland is one of the European Union's top three economic partners; we are a deeply European country both culturally and socially, and also in terms of the values we hold dear. This is why, as President of the Swiss parliamentary delegation for relations with the European Union, I am very keen to maintain close and continuous dialogue with our European partners.

The inter-parliamentary events, and most notably the COSAC chairpersons and the COSAC plenary meetings, are an important part of every EU Presidency. With the EU and Switzerland so deeply integrated, I am certain that Switzerland's participation at these inter-parliamentary conferences during the Croatian presidency would be of mutual benefit. I would therefore highly appreciate it if you would consider extending an invitation to Switzerland to participate in the COSAC chairpersons and the COSAC plenary meetings.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a successful and enriching EU Council Presidency and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Hans-Peter Portmann  
President of the EFTA/EU Delegation