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Chairman of the European Union
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Dear Chairman,

The Commission would like to thank the House of Lords for its letter of 11 September concerning the Commission's reply of 23 June 2014 to the House of Lord's report on the role of National Parliaments.¹

The Commission takes note of the fact that the House of Lords will continue to consider the recommendations in its Report. The Commission is committed to its relations with national Parliaments and remains open to considering proposals to further strengthen relations between EU institutions and national Parliaments that would respect the competences, prerogatives, obligations and procedures set out in the Treaties.

As regards the working group proposed by 29 chambers of national Parliaments by letter of 30 June 2014 to President-elect Juncker, it should be noted that no formal position can be taken on the proposal from national Parliaments until the new Commission comes into office.

The Commission appreciates its exchanges with the House of Lords and looks forward to continuing the political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

Maroš Šefčovič Vice-President

¹ C(2014) 4236 final.