



Hon. Luciano Busuttil
Chairman of the Standing Committee on Foreign and European Affairs
House of Representatives
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Dear Mr. Busuttil,

I am addressing you in your capacity as the Chairman of the Conference of Community and European Affairs Committees of the Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC).

As you may be aware, Iceland was a candidate country for EU membership until 2015 and participated as such in COSAC meetings. Despite no longer being a candidate country, Iceland nevertheless continues to enjoy a close relationship with the EU through the European Economic Area (EEA) Agreement and a number of other agreements. I wish to emphasise our appreciation for continued cooperation between Iceland and the EU and fully acknowledge what a valuable forum COSAC has been in that regard.

Furthermore, I would like to stress the importance of maintaining a close contact between the National Parliaments of the European Union and the Parliament of Iceland. I would therefore highly appreciate if you would consider extending an invitation to Iceland to participate in the upcoming COSAC plenary meeting to be held under your chairmanship in Valetta on 28-30 May 2017.

Lastly, I wish you a successful EU Presidency and truly look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Jóna Sólveig Elínardóttir

Chair of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs

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