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Dear President,

I would like to express my gratitude for your letter of 11 November, which included the calendar of the inter-parliamentary conferences that the Croatian Parliament is organising within the framework the parliamentary dimension of the forthcoming Croatian Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

The calendar of your presidency includes a number of highly interesting parliamentary events. Norway is closely associated with the EU through the European Economic Area (EEA) Agreement and a number of other agreements. With the EU and Norway so deeply integrated, we share a common interest in increased cooperation and knowledge sharing. Participation in the meetings forecasted provides an important and valuable opportunity to this end.

I am aware that for certain meetings, the Croatian EU Presidency would need to consult with its troika partners and the European Parliament before extending invitations to special guests. Notably this is the case for the COSAC chairpersons and the COSAC plenary meetings as well as the Interparliamentary Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance in the EU.

I would be very grateful if you would forward this letter to the chairpersons of the standing committees responsible for those meetings to facilitate these consultations and hope Norwegian Parliamentarians will be able to participate in the parliamentary conferences during your presidency.

Honourable Gordan Jandrokovic Speaker of Parliament of the Republic of Croatia



Looking forward to continued close cooperation, I remain

Yours faithfully,

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