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Dear Sirs,

Thank you for your letter of 5 December 2017 addressed to President Juncker to which he asked me to reply on his behalf. We understand the practical difficulties that the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC) faces in nominating, in a tight timeframe, the three representatives for the new Task Force on Subsidiarity, Proportionality and Doing Less More Efficiently, and appreciate the efforts you are making.

The work of the Task Force is part of the range of activities which the Commission has set out in the Roadmap to Sibiu, for a more united, stronger and democratic Union. Given the importance of the issues with which the Task Force is dealing, we are keen for its reflections to be available early in the process, which is why we have asked it to report in July 2018. This is a challenging timetable and will require a small and focused Task Force which is immediately operational. It is for this reason that we have confined membership to three representatives from national Parliaments, three from the European Parliament and three from the Committee of the Regions.

I look forward therefore to receiving the names of the representatives of national Parliaments, as soon as possible, so that the Task Force can start its work during the course of January 2018, and I look forward to working with them in the coming months.

Yours sincerely,

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