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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Sejm for its Opinion on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council: Towards a deep and genuine Economic and Monetary Union; Ex ante coordination of plans for major economic policy reforms {COM(2013) 166 final} and apologises for the delay in replying.

The Commission takes note of the Sejm's position that coordination of economic policies of the euro area Member States requires ex ante coordination of national reform programmes, that such coordination should fall within the framework of existing economic governance arrangements and that the possibility should be created for non-euro area Member States to participate on a voluntary basis.

The Commission intends to follow-up on the Communication in the course of this year. The views of the Sejm will be taken into account in the follow-up process.

The Commission looks forward to continuing our political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

Maroš Šefčovič Vice-President