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Dear President,

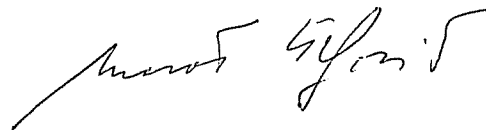
The Commission welcomes the interest of the Czech Senate on the Green Paper concerning European citizens' initiative {COM(2009)622} and is grateful for the contribution to the Green Paper you transmitted on 19 March 2010.

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that following the conclusion of the public consultation on European citizens' initiative on 31st January 2010, the Commission has prepared a proposal for a regulation, which was adopted on 31 March 2010. The proposal draws on the contributions that were made during the consultation, including from national Parliaments.

The Commission hopes that an early agreement with the European Parliament and the Council can be reached so that citizens can start benefiting from this new right as soon as possible.

I am looking forward to further developing our policy dialogue,

Yours faithfully,



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